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By:  Middleton H.B. No. 1203

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to authorization by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for public junior colleges to offer baccalaureate degree programs.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Section 130.302, Education Code, as added by Chapter 766 (S.B. 2118), Acts of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 130.302.  BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS; GENERAL AUTHORIZATION. The coordinating board may authorize public junior colleges to offer baccalaureate degree programs in any field as provided by this subchapter. Offering a baccalaureate degree program under this subchapter does not otherwise alter the role and mission of a public junior college.

SECTION 2.  Sections 130.303(b) and 130.306(a) and (b), Education Code, as added by Chapter 766 (S.B. 2118), Acts of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, are repealed.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.