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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the inclusion of transfer pathways in the guidelines
3 addressing transfer practices published by general academic
4 teaching institutions.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 61.830, Education Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 Sec. 61.830. PUBLICATION OF GUIDELINES ADDRESSING TRANSFER
9 PRACTICES. (a) In the institution's [its] course catalogs and on
10 the institution's Internet [its] website, each institution of
11 higher education shall publish guidelines addressing the practices
12 of the institution regarding the transfer of course credit. In the
13 guidelines, the institution must identify a course by using the
14 common course numbering system approved by the board.

15 (b) Each general academic teaching institution shall
16 include in the guidelines published on the institution's Internet
17 website under Subsection (a) a transfer pathway for each major in
18 the top 25 majors at the institution for which students most
19 frequently transfer to the institution. A transfer pathway must
20 identify:

21 (1) the lower division course requirements for the
22 major, including the core curriculum requirements; and

23 (2) each course that may be transferred to the
24 institution from a public junior college for course credit applied

1 toward the major or the core curriculum.

2 (c) A general academic teaching institution shall annually
3 review and, if necessary, update each transfer pathway required
4 under Subsection (b).

5 SECTION 2. Not later than January 1, 2020, each general
6 academic teaching institution shall develop and publish the
7 transfer pathways required under Section 61.830, Education Code, as
8 amended by this Act.

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