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H.B. No. 3165

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to an occupational and life skills associate degree program offered by the Lone Star College System District.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 130, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 130.0106 to read as follows:

Sec. 130.0106. OCCUPATIONAL AND LIFE SKILLS ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM. (a) The governing board of the Lone Star College System District may establish an occupational and life skills associate degree program at each junior college in the district.

(b) An occupational and life skills associate degree program established at a junior college under this section must require a student to successfully complete:

(1) the junior college's core curriculum adopted under Section 61.822(b); and

(2) after completion of the core curriculum under Subdivision (1), the courses selected by the student in the student's degree plan.

(c) The coordinating board shall adopt rules as necessary for the administration of this section.

SECTION 2. 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

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.