

1-1 By: West S.B. No. 1680
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 6, 2019; March 14, 2019, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Higher Education;
 1-4 April 15, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 15, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the approval of certain private or independent
 1-20 institutions of higher education to participate in the tuition
 1-21 equalization grant program.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 61.222, Education Code, is amended by
 1-24 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

1-25 (d) The coordinating board shall approve a private or
 1-26 independent institution of higher education as defined by Section
 1-27 61.003 that previously qualified under Subsection (a) but no longer
 1-28 holds the same accreditation as public institutions of higher
 1-29 education. To qualify under this subsection, an institution must
 1-30 be:

1-31 (1) accredited by an accreditor recognized by the
 1-32 board;

1-33 (2) a work college, as that term is defined by 20
 1-34 U.S.C. Section 1087-58; and

1-35 (3) participating in the federal financial aid program
 1-36 under 20 U.S.C. Section 1070a.

1-37 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-38 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-39 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-40 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-41 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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