H.B. No. 1312

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

## AN ACT

2 relating to student success-based funding recommendations for 3 certain continuing workforce education courses offered by public 4 junior colleges.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 61.0593, Education Code, is amended by 7 adding Subsection (f-1) to read as follows:

8 (f-1) In making its recommendations under Subsection (f) 9 relating to institutional appropriations of incentive funds for public junior colleges based on achievement on student success 10 measures, the board shall incorporate the consideration of student 11 success measures, and include appropriate funding recommendations 12 based on those success measures, achieved in qualified continuing 13 workforce education courses offered by those colleges for which 14 credit toward a certificate or associate's degree is not awarded. 15 16 For purposes of this subsection, a continuing workforce education course is considered qualified if the course is consistent with the 17 role and mission of a public junior college and is designed to 18 prepare students with skills necessary to attain external workforce 19 credentials, including a certification or license, or employment in 20 a specific high-demand occupation, regardless of whether the course 21 is part of a recognized sequence of courses that requires a specific 22 23 number of contact hours.

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SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.