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H.B. No. 3383

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring coursework in agriculture for a baccalaureate degree program at a public institution of higher education.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 51, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 51.311 to read as follows:

Sec. 51.311. AGRICULTURE. (a) In this section, "institution of higher education" has the meaning assigned by Section 61.003.

(b) An institution of higher education may not award a baccalaureate degree to any person unless the person has credit for at least three semester credit hours or the equivalent in agriculture.

SECTION 2. Section 51.311, Education Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a student who enrolls in a baccalaureate degree program at a public institution of higher education on or after January 1, 2022.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.