By:  Kolkhorst S.B. No. 427

(In the Senate - Filed January 12, 2023; February 15, 2023, read first time and referred to Subcommittee on Higher Education; April 24, 2023, reported favorably from Committee on Education by the following vote: Yeas 12, Nays 0; April 24, 2023, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Creighton         X

Campbell             X

Bettencourt          X

Birdwell                       X

Flores               X

King                 X

LaMantia             X

Menéndez             X

Middleton            X

Parker               X

Paxton               X

Springer             X

West                 X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring certain institutions of higher education to enter into an agreement to offer undergraduate courses in Texas History.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 51.302, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d)  A college or university receiving state support or state aid from public funds that does not offer at least three semester credit hours or the equivalent in Texas History to undergraduate students shall enter into an agreement with another postsecondary educational institution to offer to the college or university's undergraduate students at least three semester credit hours or the equivalent in Texas History.

SECTION 2.  This Act applies beginning with the 2023-2024 academic year.

SECTION 3.  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 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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