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By:  Middleton S.B. No. 1876

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the transfer of course credit between public institutions of higher education.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter S, Chapter 61, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 61.8231 to read as follows:

Sec. 61.8231.  TRANSFER TOWARD DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIRED. Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter or other law, an institution of higher education that admits a student transferring from another institution of higher education shall award the student academic credit toward the student's degree program for each course the student completed at the sending institution.

SECTION 2.  Section 61.827(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  The board is authorized to adopt rules implementing the provisions of this subchapter, including rules to ensure compliance with this subchapter.

SECTION 3.  This Act applies beginning with the 2023-2024 academic year.

SECTION 4.  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.