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H.B. No. 4594

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a study regarding the needs of military bases located in
3 the state and programs of study offered at school districts and
4 institutions of higher education to prepare students for employment
5 on a military base.

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

7 SECTION 1. (a) The Texas Education Agency, in coordination
8 with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, shall conduct a
9 study regarding the needs of Texas military bases, including:

10 (1) discussions on programs of study for the purposes
11 of Federal Perkins Alignment;

12 (2) a review of local options for requiring
13 independent school districts located near military bases in this
14 state to offer courses in programs of study to prepare high school
15 graduates for employment on a military base; and

16 (3) a review of the rulemaking authority for the Texas
17 Higher Education Coordinating Board and whether the board by rule
18 may require institutions of higher education located near military
19 bases in this state to offer courses in programs of study to prepare
20 students for employment on a military base.

21 (b) The Texas Education Agency shall, not later than
22 September 1, 2024, submit a report containing the agency's findings
23 from the study required under this Act to the governor, the
24 lieutenant governor, and each member of the legislature.

1 (c) This Act expires January 1, 2025.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.