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H.B. No. 5001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to prohibiting public institutions of higher education from requiring diversity training as a condition for enrollment or registration.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter 2, Chapter 51, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 51.9319 to read as follows:

Sec. 51.9319. DIVERSITY TRAINING AS CONDITION OF ENROLLMENT OR REGISTRATION PROHIBITED. (a) In this section, "institution of higher education" has the meaning assigned by Section 61.003.

(b) An institution of higher education may not require a student to complete diversity training as a condition of:

(1) enrolling at the institution; or

(2) registering for any course or academic program offered by the institution.

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.