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H.B. No. 238

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the allocation of the campuses of the Texas State
3 Technical College System.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 135.02(a), Education Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (a) The Texas State Technical College System is composed of:

8 (1) a system office located in the city of Waco in
9 McLennan County;

10 (2) a campus located in Cameron County;

11 (3) a campus serving West Texas that operates as a
12 collective unit of strategically positioned permanent locations in
13 Nolan County, Taylor County, Brown County, and Stephens County;

14 (4) a campus located in Harrison County;

15 (5) a campus located in McLennan County;

16 (6) a campus located in Fort Bend County;

17 (7) a campus that operates as a collective unit of one
18 or more locations in Ellis County;

19 (8) a campus that operates as a collective unit of one
20 or more locations in Comal County, ~~and~~ Guadalupe County, and
21 Wilson County;

22 (9) a campus located in Denton County;

23 (10) a campus that operates as a collective unit of one
24 or more locations in Williamson County east of State Highway 130 and

1 Interstate Highway 35; [~~and~~]

2 (11) a campus located in Starr County; and

3 (12) campuses assigned to the system from time to time
4 by specific legislative Act.

5 SECTION 2. Section 135.04(b), Education Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (b) Before any program may be offered by a campus or
8 extension center within the tax district of a public junior college
9 that is operating a vocational and technical program, it must be
10 established that the public junior college is not capable of
11 offering or is unable to offer the program. After it is established
12 that a need for the program exists and that the program is not
13 locally available, the campus or extension center may offer the
14 program, provided approval is secured from the coordinating board.
15 Approval of technical-vocational programs under this section does
16 not apply to Brown, McLennan, Cameron, Fort Bend, Comal, Denton,
17 Guadalupe, Williamson, Wilson, [~~and~~] Potter, and Starr Counties.

18 SECTION 3. Section 130.063(e), Education Code, is amended
19 to read as follows:

20 (e) This section does not prevent a junior college district
21 from annexing territory located in Brown County, Comal County,
22 Denton County, Guadalupe County, [~~or~~] Williamson County, Starr
23 County, or Wilson County.

24 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
25 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
26 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
27 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.