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S.B. No. 49

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to performance tier funding under the public junior  
3 college state finance program.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 130A.101(c), Education Code, is amended  
6 to read as follows:

7 (c) The measurable outcomes considered for purposes of  
8 performance tier funding are:

9 (1) the number of credentials of value awarded, as  
10 determined by the coordinating board based on analyses of wages and  
11 costs associated with the credential, including degrees,  
12 certificates, and other credentials from credit and non-credit  
13 programs that equip students for continued learning and greater  
14 earnings in the state economy, with an additional weight for  
15 placement of students who earn that credential in a high-demand  
16 occupation, as defined by coordinating board rule, or an  
17 appropriate proxy determined by the coordinating board based on  
18 available data;

19 (2) the number of students who earn at least 15  
20 semester credit hours or the equivalent at the junior college  
21 district and:

22 (A) subsequently transfer to:  
23 (i) a general academic teaching  
24 institution, as that term is defined by Section 61.003; or

1                    (ii) a private or independent institution  
2 of higher education, as that term is defined by Section 61.003, that  
3 offers four-year degree programs; or

4                    (B) are enrolled in a structured co-enrollment  
5 program, as authorized by coordinating board rule; and

6                    (3) the number of students who complete a sequence of  
7 at least 15 semester credit hours or the equivalent for dual credit  
8 or dual enrollment courses, as defined by coordinating board rule,  
9 that apply toward academic or workforce program requirements at the  
10 postsecondary level.

11                    SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.