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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 2 relating to a limit on the number of athletic scholarships that may
- 3 be awarded to foreign students by a public institution of higher
- 4 education.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 51, Education Code, is
- 7 amended by adding Section 51.9247 to read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 51.9247. LIMIT ON NUMBER OF ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS
- 9 AWARDED TO FOREIGN STUDENTS. (a) In this section, "institution of
- 10 <u>higher education" has the meaning assigned by Section 61.003.</u>
- 11 (b) For each intercollegiate athletic program, an
- 12 institution of higher education may not award for an academic year
- 13 to students who are citizens of a foreign country more than 25
- 14 percent of the athletic scholarships, grants, or similar financial
- 15 assistance conditioned on the student's participation in the
- 16 program that are available for the program for that academic year.
- 17 SECTION 2. Section 51.9247, Education Code, as added by
- 18 this Act, applies beginning with the 2026-2027 academic year.
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.