

1-1 By: Hinojosa of Nueces S.B. No. 2233  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 11, 2025; March 25, 2025, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Education K-16;  
 1-4 May 15, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 2; May 15, 2025,  
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	X			
1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11	X			
1-12	X			
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1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 2233 By: Parker

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to a prohibition on certain persons supporting terrorist  
 1-24 activity at public institutions of higher education.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. Subchapter 2, Chapter 51, Education Code, is  
 1-27 amended by adding Section 51.989 to read as follows:

1-28 Sec. 51.989. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN PERSONS SUPPORTING  
 1-29 TERRORIST ACTIVITY. (a) In this section:

1-30 (1) "Institution of higher education" has the meaning  
 1-31 assigned by Section 61.003.

1-32 (2) "Terrorist activity" and "terrorist organization"  
 1-33 have the meanings assigned by 8 U.S.C. Section 1182.

1-34 (b) An institution of higher education shall adopt a policy  
 1-35 prohibiting a student enrolled at or employee of the institution  
 1-36 who holds a nonimmigrant visa from:

1-37 (1) publicly supporting terrorist activity related to  
 1-38 an ongoing conflict; or

1-39 (2) at any time or place, persuading others to support  
 1-40 terrorist activity related to an ongoing conflict or to support a  
 1-41 terrorist organization.

1-42 (c) If an institution of higher education receives a report  
 1-43 that a student enrolled at or employee of the institution who holds  
 1-44 a nonimmigrant visa has violated the policy adopted under  
 1-45 Subsection (b), the institution shall conduct an investigation to  
 1-46 determine whether a violation occurred.

1-47 (d) If an institution of higher education determines by a  
 1-48 preponderance of the evidence that a student enrolled at or  
 1-49 employee of the institution who holds a nonimmigrant visa violated  
 1-50 the policy adopted under Subsection (b), the institution shall:

1-51 (1) for the first violation, suspend the student or  
 1-52 the employee's employment for a period of at least one year;

1-53 (2) for the second violation, expel the student or  
 1-54 terminate the employee's employment; and

1-55 (3) promptly report the suspension, expulsion, or  
 1-56 termination to the United States Department of Homeland Security  
 1-57 through the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System  
 1-58 (SEVIS).

1-59 (e) An institution of higher education may not admit to or  
 1-60 hire at the institution a person:

2-1 (1) who has been suspended under Subsection (d)(1)  
2-2 during the period of the suspension; or  
2-3 (2) who has been expelled or whose employment was  
2-4 terminated under Subsection (d)(2).

2-5 (f) The attorney general may bring an action against an  
2-6 institution of higher education to compel the institution to comply  
2-7 with this section. If the court determines that the institution has  
2-8 failed to comply with this section, the court may impose on the  
2-9 institution a fine in an amount not to exceed one percent of the  
2-10 institution's annual budget per instance of failure to comply.

2-11 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
2-12 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2-13 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2-14 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2-15 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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