

1-1 By: Hinojosa S.B. No. 1343
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 4, 2009; March 17, 2009, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Higher Education;
1-4 April 29, 2009, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5,
1-5 Nays 0; April 29, 2009, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the formula funding for public institutions of higher
1-9 education for certain credit hours that do not count toward a
1-10 degree.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Subsection (d), Section 61.0595, Education Code,
1-13 is amended to read as follows:

1-14 (d) The following are not counted for purposes of
1-15 determining whether the student has previously earned the number of
1-16 semester credit hours specified by Subsection (a):

1-17 (1) semester credit hours earned by the student before
1-18 receiving an associate or [a] baccalaureate degree that has
1-19 previously been awarded to the student;

1-20 (2) semester credit hours earned by the student by
1-21 examination or under any other procedure by which credit is earned
1-22 without registering for a course for which tuition is charged;

1-23 (3) credit for a remedial education course, a
1-24 technical course, a workforce education course funded according to
1-25 contact hours, or another course that does not count toward a degree
1-26 program at the institution; and

1-27 (4) semester credit hours earned by the student at a
1-28 private institution or an out-of-state institution.

1-29 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Section
1-30 61.0595, Education Code, applies beginning with the funding
1-31 recommendations made under Section 61.059, Education Code, for the
1-32 2011-2012 academic year.

1-33 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-34 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-35 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-36 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-37 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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