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S.B. No. 802

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a study and report regarding best practices in the
3 provision of dual credit courses by public institutions of higher
4 education and the transfer of course credit between those
5 institutions.

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

7 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 61, Education Code, is
8 amended by adding Section 61.0667 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 61.0667. STUDY ON BEST PRACTICES IN DUAL CREDIT AND
10 CREDIT TRANSFER. (a) The board shall conduct a study to identify
11 best practices in ensuring that dual credit courses provided by an
12 institution of higher education and courses transferred to an
13 institution of higher education for course credit apply toward a
14 degree program at the institution.

15 (b) The study must:

16 (1) evaluate existing articulation agreements under
17 which institutions of higher education provide dual credit courses
18 to school district students or that govern the transfer of course
19 credit between institutions of higher education; and

20 (2) identify those institutions of higher education
21 that are implementing the best practices identified under
22 Subsection (a).

23 (c) On request, an institution of higher education shall
24 provide information to the board as necessary for the board to

1 perform its duties under this section.

2 (d) Not later than September 1, 2018, the board shall submit
3 to the legislature the results of its study under this section and
4 recommendations for legislative or other action.

5 (e) This section expires September 1, 2019.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
10 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.