

1-1 By: Oliverson, et al. H.B. No. 277
 1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Creighton)
 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House March 21, 2019;
 1-4 March 27, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Higher
 1-5 Education; May 8, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-6 Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 8, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11	X			
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1-13	X			
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1-17	X			

1-18 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-19 AN ACT

1-20 relating to a requirement that online admission application forms
 1-21 for public institutions of higher education include a link to
 1-22 certain comparative gainful employment data.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 51.762, Education Code, is amended by
 1-25 adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

1-26 (b-1) An electronic common admission application form
 1-27 adopted under this section must include a prominent link to
 1-28 comparative gainful employment data regarding institutions of
 1-29 higher education, including information described by Section
 1-30 7.040, on a website maintained by the board using data compiled by
 1-31 the board in coordination with the Texas Workforce Commission.

1-32 SECTION 2. Section 51.763(b), Education Code, is amended to
 1-33 read as follows:

1-34 (b) The form must:

1-35 (1) ~~shall~~ allow each applicant to:

1-36 (A) ~~(1)~~ apply electronically to one or more of
 1-37 the general academic teaching institutions within the university
 1-38 system; and

1-39 (B) ~~(2)~~ indicate preferences for admission
 1-40 between those institutions; and

1-41 (2) include a prominent link to comparative gainful
 1-42 employment data regarding institutions of higher education,
 1-43 including information described by Section 7.040, on a website
 1-44 maintained by the board using data compiled by the board in
 1-45 coordination with the Texas Workforce Commission.

1-46 SECTION 3. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
 1-47 and the governing board of a university system shall comply with
 1-48 Section 51.762(b-1) or 51.763(b)(2), Education Code, as added by
 1-49 this Act, as applicable, as soon as practicable following the
 1-50 effective date of this Act but not later than January 1, 2020.

1-51 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-52 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-53 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-54 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-55 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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