

Amend CSHB 2013 (House Committee Report) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill (page 2, between lines 8 and 9), insert the following:

(c) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), a student who for a semester or term at an institution of higher education receives an exemption under this section may continue to receive the exemption for a subsequent semester or term at any institution only if the student makes satisfactory academic progress toward a degree or certificate at that institution as determined by the institution for purposes of financial aid.

(d) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), the exemption provided under this section does not apply to any amount of additional tuition the institution elects to charge a resident undergraduate student under Section 54.014(a) or (f).

(e) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), the exemption provided under this section does not apply to any amount of tuition the institution charges a graduate student in excess of the amount of tuition charged to similarly situated graduate students because the student has a number of semester credit hours of doctoral work in excess of the applicable number provided by Section 61.059(1)(1) or (2).

(f) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall adopt:

(1) rules governing the granting or denial of an exemption under this section, including rules relating to the determination of a student's eligibility for an exemption; and

(2) a uniform listing of degree programs covered by the exemption under this section.

(2) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill appropriately:

SECTION _____. A student who received an exemption under Section 54.208, Education Code, before the 2009 fall semester may continue to receive the exemption under the provisions of that section as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act as long as the student remains enrolled in the same degree or certificate program and is otherwise eligible to continue to receive the exemption under that former law.