

AN ACT

relating to the award of academic credit to a student at an institution of higher education for the completion of certain military training.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 51, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 51.3041 to read as follows:

Sec. 51.3041. AWARD OF COURSE CREDIT FOR MILITARY TRAINING.

(a) In this section, "institution of higher education" has the meaning assigned by Section 61.003.

(b) An institution of higher education shall consider, in determining whether to award to a student course credit toward a degree offered by the institution for the student's completion of certain military training:

(1) any official military record presented to the institution by the student that:

(A) describes the substance of the training completed by the student; and

(B) verifies the student's successful completion of that training; and

(2) whether the substance of that training satisfies the purpose of the course for which the student seeks credit as described in the institution's course catalog.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

David Newkum

President of the Senate

Jim Cullum

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 133 was passed by the House on May 13, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Robert Haney

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 133 was passed by the Senate on May 25, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Letsy Spaw

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 18 JUNE '05

Date

Rick Perry  
Governor

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
9:15 AM O'CLOCK

Roger Williams  
Secretary of State