

CHAPTER 425

H.B. No. 447

AN ACT

relating to the residency of homeless individuals who register at certain public institutions of higher education.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 54.052, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (i) to read as follows:

*(i) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall adopt rules allowing a homeless individual, as defined by 42 U.S.C. Sec. 11302, who resides in Texas for the 12-month period immediately preceding the date of registration but who does not have a permanent*

*residence to be classified as a resident student only for purposes of vocational education courses at public junior colleges.*

SECTION 2. Not later than January 1, 1994, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall adopt initial rules as required by Section 54.052(i), Education Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on April 23, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 24, 1993: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 6, 1993.

Effective Aug. 30, 1993, 90 days after date of adjournment.