

CHAPTER 363

H.B. No. 515

AN ACT

relating to a review of child development training agreements.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 61, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 61.083 to read as follows:

*Sec. 61.083. REVIEW OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT TRAINING AGREEMENTS. (a) In this section:*

*(1) "Articulation" means the alignment of lower division courses and requirements and the sequencing of lower and upper division courses and programs that are offered by vocational programs and two-year or four-year institutions of higher education.*

*(2) "Transfer" means the process of reviewing and admitting applicants for advanced standing.*

*(b) The board shall annually conduct a review of vocational programs and institutions of higher education to determine which programs and institutions have or are developing agreements that relate to child development training and that provide for articulation of courses and programs and transfer of credits.*

*(c) The board shall prepare an annual report on the results of the review. The report must include an assessment of the need for future agreements and recommendations for the expansion or alteration of agreements.*

*(d) The board shall submit copies of the report to the legislature not later than October 1 of each year.*

SECTION 2. The board shall submit the first report required under Section 61.083, Education Code, as added by this Act, not later than October 1, 1994.

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 30, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 19, 1993: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved May 31, 1993.

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