## CHAPTER 262

S.B. No. 330

## AN ACT

relating to the purposes of public junior and community colleges.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (e), Section 130.003, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (e) The purpose of each public community college shall be to provide:
- (1) technical programs up to two years in length leading to associate degrees or certificates;
- (2) vocational programs leading directly to employment in semi-skilled and skilled occupations;
  - (3) freshman and sophomore courses in arts and sciences;
  - (4) continuing adult education programs for occupational or cultural upgrading;
- (5) compensatory education programs designed to fulfill the commitment of an admissions policy allowing the enrollment of disadvantaged students;
- (6) a continuing program of counseling and guidance designed to assist students in achieving their individual educational goals; [and]
  - (7) work force development programs designed to meet local and statewide needs;
  - (8) adult literacy and other basic skills programs for adults; and
- (9) such other purposes as may be prescribed by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board[, Texas College and University System,] or local governing boards[,] in the best interest of post-secondary education in Texas.
- SECTION 2. 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 the Senate on March 16, 1993: Yeas 30, Nays 0; passed the House on May 11, 1993: Yeas 140, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Approved May 23, 1993.

Effective May 23, 1993.