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S.B. No. 658

AN ACT

relating to the designation of Laredo State University as an upper-level educational institution and to the removal of the coordinating board's authority to discontinue the institution.

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

SECTION 1. Section 104.41, Education Code, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 104.41. ESTABLISHMENT; SCOPE[; DISCONTINUATION]. The board may establish an upper-level educational institution [center] in the city of Laredo, to be known as Laredo State University, to accept junior, senior, and master's level students only. This upper-level educational institution [center may be discontinued by the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, at its discretion and] shall never be converted to a free-standing, fully state-supported coeducational institution of higher learning until [it has complied with all requirements imposed by the coordinating board and until] the site for such institution, consisting of at least 200 acres of land, shall have been provided at no cost to the state, provided that such conversion is subject to authorization by the state legislature.

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 he in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate on April 23, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 20, 1987, by a viva-voce vote. Passed the House, with amendment, on May 15, 1987, by a non-record vote.

Approved June 17, 1987.

Effective Aug. 31, 1987, 90 days after date of adjournment.