

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Concurrent enrollment programs, under the Texas Education Code, have given all high school students opportunities to gain college credit before graduating. However, some interpretations of Section 130.008(d), Education Code, have prevented students from enrolling and earning dual credit for career and technology classes and classes in schools which operate under block scheduling. H.B. 415 repeals Section 130.008(d), Education Code, and adds a subsection to require a student to be considered a full-time student in average daily attendance.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Repealer: Section 130.008(d) (Courses for Joint High School and Junior College Credit), Education Code.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 42.005, Education Code, by adding Subsection (g), to prohibit the time during which the student attends the course, if a student may receive course credit toward the student's high school academic requirements and toward the student's higher education academic requirements for a single course, from being counted as part of the minimum number of instructional hours required for a student to be considered a full-time student in average daily attendance for purposes of this section. Provides that this subsection expires September 1, 2004.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2003.