

AN ACT

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2 relating to the admission of high school graduates and  
3 undergraduate transfer students to certain institutions of higher  
4 education, the computation of a student's high school grade point  
5 average for purposes of determining eligibility for admission, and  
6 policies to promote the admission of undergraduate transfer  
7 students.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

9 SECTION 1. Section 28.0252(b), Education Code, is amended  
10 to read as follows:

11 (b) If the commissioner develops a standard method under  
12 this section, a school district shall use the standard method to  
13 compute a student's high school grade point average, except that to  
14 the extent of a conflict between that method and the method adopted  
15 under Section 51.807, [and] the student's grade point average  
16 computed in accordance with the method established under Section  
17 51.807 [that manner] shall be used in determining the student's  
18 eligibility for university [automatic college] admission under  
19 Subchapter U, Chapter 51 [Section 51.803].

20 SECTION 2. Section 51.807, Education Code, is amended to  
21 read as follows:

22 Sec. 51.807. RULEMAKING. (a) To ensure a uniform standard  
23 for admissions under this subchapter, the [The] Texas Higher  
24 Education Coordinating Board shall adopt rules establishing a

1 standard method for computing a student's high school grade point  
2 average. The method established under this subsection:

3 (1) must:

4 (A) be based on a four-point scale; and

5 (B) assign additional weight for each honors  
6 course, advanced placement course, international baccalaureate  
7 course, or dual credit course completed by the student as the board  
8 considers appropriate, taking into consideration the academic  
9 rigor of each course completed by the student; and

10 (2) may result in a student having a grade point  
11 average higher than 4.0 on a four-point scale as a result of the  
12 assignment of additional weight for one or more courses completed  
13 by a student under Subdivision (1)(B).

14 (b) The board may adopt other rules relating to the  
15 operation of admissions programs under this subchapter, including  
16 rules relating to the identification of eligible students [~~and the~~  
17 ~~reporting requirements of Section 51.806].~~

18 (c) The standard method established under Subsection (a)  
19 for computing a student's high school grade point average applies  
20 to computing the grade point average of a student applying as a  
21 first-time freshman for admission to a general academic teaching  
22 institution beginning with admissions for the 2009 fall semester.  
23 This subsection expires January 1, 2010.

24 SECTION 3. Section 51.4032, Education Code, as added by  
25 Chapter 694, Acts of the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005,  
26 is amended to read as follows:

27 Sec. 51.4032. ANNUAL REPORT OF PARTICIPATION IN HIGHER