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H.B. No. 2536

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to information about certain veterans and their dependents reported by institutions of higher education to the Texas Veterans Commission.

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

SECTION 1. Section 434.00791(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The commission shall ensure a system to electronically monitor the use of tuition and fee exemptions at institutions of higher education under Section 54.341, Education Code, is developed. The system must allow the commission to electronically receive, for each semester, the following information from institutions of higher education:

(1) the name of the institution;

(2) the name, identification number, and date of birth of each individual attending the institution and receiving benefits for the semester under Section 54.341, Education Code;

(3) for each individual receiving benefits, the number of credit hours for which the individual received an exemption for the semester;

(4) for each individual receiving benefits at the institution during the semester, the total cumulative number of credit hours for which the individual has received an exemption at the institution; ~~and~~

1 (5) in a manner that does not identify the individual
2 receiving benefits, the length of service of each individual
3 receiving benefits as indicated by official documentation from the
4 United States Department of Defense; and

5 (6) any other information required by the commission.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.