Memorandum

February 24, 2021

To: Chief Reporting Officials-Public Universities, Health-Related Institutions, Community Colleges, TSTCs, and Lamars

From: Emily Cormier, Assistant Commissioner for Funding
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Subject: Expiration of Reporting Modifications for Nonresident Distance Education Courses for Formula Funding

Last fall, a reporting change was issued pursuant to emergency rule, 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter 1, Subchapter A, Rule §1.15(b), which provides authority for the Commissioner of Higher Education to modify formula funding reporting provisions set out in rule for institutions of higher education during a declared disaster. The modification was provided to the formula funding reporting provisions in 19 TAC §4.264(c) to remove the restriction on submitting distance education courses taken by nonresident students who are located out of state for formula funding.

The provision of emergency Rule §1.15(b) expired on February 21, 2021. This memorandum provides notice that the modification of this reporting restriction is no longer in effect after the submission of reports for the spring semester.

The information provided to the Legislative Budget Board to assist them in preparing the appropriations bill for the 87th Texas Legislature includes data from Summer and Fall 2020, and Spring 2021.

The CBM Manuals will be updated to remove the rule modification.

Please contact Victor Reyna in the Education Data Center at Victor.Reyna@highered.texas.gov if you have questions.

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