

## AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 897

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, line 6, by inserting after "for"  
2 definitions and for

3 Amend Bill, page 1, line 8, by striking out "for articulation  
4 agreements,"

5 Amend Bill, page 1, line 11, by inserting after "Committee"  
6 , for duties of department

7 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 14 through 16, by striking out all  
8 of said lines and inserting

9 Section 1. Section 2001-C of the act of March 10, 1949  
10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is  
11 amended by adding definitions to read:  
12 Section 2001-C. Definitions.

13 The following words and phrases when used in this article  
14 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
15 context clearly indicates otherwise:

16 \* \* \*

17 "Parallel baccalaureate degree program." A bachelor's degree  
18 program in a comparable field of study and with similar  
19 foundation-level, major-specific competencies as an associate  
20 degree program, as articulated in program-to-program agreements.

21 \* \* \*

22 "Receiving institution." The public institution of higher  
23 education where a transfer student plans to enroll and to apply  
24 previously earned credit toward a degree program.

25 \* \* \*

26 Section 2. Section 2002-C(c)(1) of the act is amended to  
27 read:

28 Amend Bill, page 2, line 2, by inserting after "all"  
29 college-level

30 Amend Bill, page 2, line 2, by inserting after "earned"  
31 to fulfill the degree requirements

1 Amend Bill, page 2, line 2, by striking out "community  
2 college" and inserting  
3 public institution of higher education

4 Amend Bill, page 2, line 4, by inserting after  
5 "baccalaureate"  
6 degree

7 Amend Bill, page 2, line 5, by inserting a bracket before  
8 "by" where it occurs the first time

9 Amend Bill, page 2, line 6, by inserting a bracket after  
10 "but"

11 Amend Bill, page 2, line 7, by inserting a bracket before  
12 "2011."

13 Amend Bill, page 2, line 7, by inserting after "2011"  
14 ] 2023

15 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 12 and 13, by striking out  
16 "transferring between public institutions of higher education"  
17 and inserting

18 with an associate of arts or associate of science  
19 degree from a public institution of higher education who  
20 is transferring into a parallel baccalaureate degree  
21 program at another public institution of higher education  
22 shall be awarded full junior standing and

23 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 17 through 22, by striking out the  
24 period in line 17 and all of lines 18 through 22 and inserting  
25 , unless required to meet accreditation or external  
26 licensure or certification standards.

27 (ii) A student transferring from one public  
28 institution of higher education to another public  
29 institution of higher education shall have the same  
30 requirements for admission to a particular academic  
31 program and for retention as a student who began their  
32 postsecondary education at the receiving institution.

33 Amend Bill, page 2, line 23, by striking out "to a" and  
34 inserting

1           into a parallel

2       Amend Bill, page 2, line 23, by inserting after

3 "baccalaureate"

4           degree

5       Amend Bill, page 2, line 25, by striking out "in a parallel

6 academic program"

7       Amend Bill, page 2, line 26, by striking out "academic" and

8 inserting

9           baccalaureate degree

10       Amend Bill, page 2, line 27, by inserting after "meets"

11           the

12       Amend Bill, page 2, line 28, by inserting after "began"

13           their

14       Amend Bill, page 2, lines 28 and 29, by striking out "a State

15 System university" and inserting

16           the receiving institution

17       Amend Bill, page 2, line 30, by striking out "university" and

18 inserting

19           public institution of higher education

20       Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 2 and 3

21           (v) A student transferring from a public institution  
22 of higher education with an associate of arts or  
23 associate of science degree or who has completed 30  
24 credits of foundation courses, as defined by the Transfer  
25 and Articulation Oversight Committee, shall have  
26 satisfied the general education requirements at the  
27 receiving institution, with possible exceptions made for  
28 the following, provided that the exceptions do not extend  
29 the student's time to the degree:

30                   (A) One signature general education course of up  
31 to three credits, if applicable.

32                   (B) A prescribed general education course  
33 required for the major, if not satisfactorily  
34 completed.

35                   (C) General education overlays satisfied in  
36 advanced courses in the major.

37       Amend Bill, page 3, line 4, by striking out "2" and inserting

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2 Amend Bill, page 3, line 6, by striking out "An" and  
3 inserting

4 A public

5 Amend Bill, page 3, line 9, by inserting after "college"

6 with an associate of arts or associate of science degree

7 Amend Bill, page 3, line 10, by inserting after "parallel"

8 baccalaureate degree

9 Amend Bill, page 3, line 10, by striking out "an" and  
10 inserting

11 a public

12 Amend Bill, page 3, line 12, by inserting after "including"

13 , but not limited to

14 Amend Bill, page 3, line 18, by striking out "Undergraduate"  
15 and inserting

16 Starting with the 2024 spring semester, undergraduate

17 Amend Bill, page 3, lines 20 and 21, by striking out "for  
18 admission to the" and inserting

19 enrollment in

20 Amend Bill, page 3, lines 21 and 22, by striking out "of a  
21 State System of Higher Education or State-related university  
22 program" and inserting

23 coursework at the receiving institution

24 Amend Bill, page 3, lines 24 through 30; page 4, lines 1  
25 through 13; by striking out "Articulation agreements." in line

26 24, all of lines 25 through 30 on page 3, all of lines 1 through  
27 12 and "Section 2003.3-C." in line 13 on page 4

28 Amend Bill, page 4, line 14, by inserting after "shall"

29 prescribe data requirements to be submitted by a public  
30 institution of higher education and

31 Amend Bill, page 4, line 16, by striking out "an" and

1 inserting

2 a public

3 Amend Bill, page 5, line 7, by striking out "2003.4-C" and

4 inserting

5 2003.3-C

6 Amend Bill, page 6, line 6, by inserting after "of"

7 college-level

8 Amend Bill, page 6, line 14, by striking out "3" and

9 inserting

10 4

11 Amend Bill, page 6, line 14, by inserting after "(c)(5)"

12 , 2005-C(4)(ii)

13 Amend Bill, page 7, by inserting between lines 12 and 13

14 Section 2005-C. Duties of department.

15 The department shall:

16 \* \* \*

17 (4) Provide for an electronic database or software  
18 program and portal for the purpose of providing access to all  
19 of the following information on an Internet website:

20 \* \* \*

21 (ii) The annual report to the General Assembly as  
22 required by section [2004-C(c)(5)] 2003.2-C.

23 Amend Bill, page 7, line 21, by striking out "4" and

24 inserting

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