Amend CSSB 17 (house committee report) as follows:

(1) On page 5, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following appropriately lettered subsection:

(____) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, in coordination with institutions of higher education, shall conduct an annual study to identify the impact of the implementation of this section on the recruitment rate, acceptance rate, matriculation rate, retention rate, grade point average, and graduation rate of students at institutions of higher education, disaggregated by race, sex, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation. Not later than December 1 of each year, the coordinating board shall submit to the legislature a report on the results of the study and any recommendations for legislative or other action. This subsection expires September 1, 2029.

(2) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. A public institution of higher education shall make reasonable efforts so that each employee of the institution whose position would otherwise be eliminated as result of the implementation of Section 51.3525, Education Code, as added by this Act, is offered reassignment to a position of similar pay at the institution.

(3) On page 5, line 13, between "the" and "2023-2024", insert "spring semester of the".

(4) On page 5, line 23, strike "September 1, 2023" and substitute "January 1, 2024".

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