1. **Title**

Compliance with Laws Related to Race, Color, National Origin, Ethnicity, Religion, Sex, Age, Veteran Status, or Disability

2. **Rule and Regulation**

Sec. 1 To the extent provided by applicable law, no person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under, any program or activity sponsored or conducted by The University of Texas System or any of the institutions, on the basis of race, color, national origin, ethnicity, religion, sex, age, veteran status, or disability.

Sec. 2 Unless required by federal law or permitted by, Tex. S.B. 17, 88th Leg, R.S. (to be codified as Texas Education Code Section 51.3525), an institution may not maintain a diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) office or engage in other conduct prohibited by Tex. S.B. 17, 88th Leg, R.S. (to be codified as Texas Education Code Section 51.3525) and must adopt policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in prohibited conduct.

The Board authorizes the Chancellor to submit required reports to the Texas Legislature and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board each fiscal year certifying compliance with Tex. S.B. 17, 88th Leg, R.S. (to be codified as Texas Education Code Section 51.3525), to testify before legislative committees regarding compliance with Tex. S.B. 17, 88th Leg, R.S. (to be codified as Texas Education Code Section 51.3525), and to take other actions needed to ensure compliance with Tex. S.B. 17, 88th Leg, R.S. (to be codified as Texas Education Code Section 51.3525).

3. **Definitions**

None

4. **Relevant Federal and State Statutes**

**The United States Constitution, 14th Amendment**


Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §2000d et seq. and its implementing regulation at 34 C.F.R. Part 100, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin.

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §2000e et seq. and its implementing regulation at 29 C.F.R. Part 1601, which prohibits employers from discriminating on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin or religion.


Tex. S.B. 17, 88th Leg, R.S. (to be codified as Texas Education Code Section 51.3525)

5. **Relevant System Policies, Procedures, and Forms**

Regents' Rules and Regulations, Rule 30107 – Veteran’s Employment Preferences

The University of Texas Systemwide Policy UTS 105, Sexual Orientation Nondiscrimination Policy

6. **Who Should Know**

Administrators
Faculty
Staff
Students
7. **System Administration Office(s) Responsible for Rule**

   Office of the Board of Regents

8. **Dates Approved or Amended**

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9. **Contact Information**

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