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H.B. No. 4383

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to providing information to undergraduate students
3 regarding a fixed tuition rate provided by general academic
4 teaching institutions.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 54.016, Education Code, is amended by
7 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

8 (d) A general academic teaching institution that offers a
9 fixed tuition rate program under this section shall provide
10 information explaining the effect of the program on the calculation
11 of a student's cost per credit hour, including the institution's
12 current fixed tuition rate, and clearly describing the amount of
13 tuition a student would pay for varying course loads covered by the
14 program:

15 (1) to each transferring undergraduate student, at the
16 time the student is offered the opportunity to participate in the
17 institution's fixed tuition rate program;

18 (2) for a student enrolled in the institution's fixed
19 tuition rate program, in materials or correspondence provided to
20 the student each time the student registers for a semester or other
21 term and in each tuition billing statement;

22 (3) on the institution's Internet website; and

23 (4) in any financial aid information provided to
24 students.

1 SECTION 2. Section 54.017, Education Code, is amended by
2 adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

3 (h) An institution to which this section applies shall
4 provide information explaining the effect of the fixed tuition
5 price plan on the calculation of a student's cost per credit hour,
6 including the institution's current fixed tuition rate, and clearly
7 describing the amount of tuition a student would pay for varying
8 course loads covered by the plan:

9 (1) to each entering undergraduate student, at the
10 time the student is offered the opportunity to participate in the
11 institution's fixed tuition price plan;

12 (2) for a student enrolled in the institution's fixed
13 tuition price plan, in materials or correspondence provided to the
14 student each time the student registers for a semester or other term
15 and in each tuition billing statement;

16 (3) on the institution's Internet website; and

17 (4) in any financial aid information provided to
18 students.

19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.