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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the establishment and administration of the Texas Woman's University System.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Chapter 107, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 107. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

SECTION 2. Section 107.01, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 107.01. TEXAS WOMAN'S [~~LOCATION AND PURPOSE OF~~] UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. The Texas Woman's University System is a woman-focused system composed of:

(1) Texas Woman's University; and

(2) such other institutions as may be assigned by specific legislative act to the governance, control, jurisdiction, and management of the board of regents of the system [~~an institution of higher education for women with its main campus at Denton~~].

SECTION 3. Section 107.21, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 107.21. BOARD OF REGENTS. (a) The board of regents of the system [~~university~~] is composed of nine persons, four of whom must [~~shall~~] be women, appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate.

(b) Each member of the board must [~~shall~~] be a qualified

1 voter, ~~[+]~~ and the members must ~~[shall]~~ be selected from different  
2 portions of the state.

3 (c) The members hold office for staggered terms of six  
4 years, with the terms of three expiring February 1 of odd-numbered  
5 years.

6 SECTION 4. Section 107.23, Education Code, is amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 Sec. 107.23. BOARD MEETINGS; MINUTES. The presiding  
9 officer shall convene the board to consider any business connected  
10 with the system ~~[university]~~ whenever the presiding officer deems  
11 it expedient. A full record shall be kept of all the board's  
12 proceedings.

13 SECTION 5. Section 107.42, Education Code, is amended to  
14 read as follows:

15 Sec. 107.42. STAFF. (a) The board shall appoint a chief  
16 executive officer ~~[president]~~ of the system ~~[university]~~ and other  
17 officers and employees it deems proper and shall fix their  
18 salaries.

19 (b) The chief executive officer of the system shall also  
20 serve as the president of Texas Woman's University.

21 (c) The board shall make rules and regulations for the  
22 government of the system's ~~[university's]~~ staff as it deems  
23 advisable.

24 SECTION 6. Section 107.44, Education Code, is amended to  
25 read as follows:

26 Sec. 107.44. RULES AND REGULATIONS. The board shall adopt  
27 rules and regulations it deems necessary to carry out the purposes

1 of the system [~~institution~~] and to enforce the faithful discharge  
2 of the duties of all officers, professors, and students.

3 SECTION 7. Section 107.45(a), Education Code, is amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 (a) The board of regents has the power of eminent domain to  
6 acquire for the use of the system [~~university~~] in the manner  
7 prescribed by Chapter 21, Property Code, any real property that may  
8 be necessary and proper for carrying out its purposes.

9 SECTION 8. Section 107.46, Education Code, is amended to  
10 read as follows:

11 Sec. 107.46. GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS. The board is  
12 specifically authorized, upon terms and conditions acceptable to  
13 it, to accept, retain, and administer gifts, grants, or donations  
14 of any kind, including real estate or money, from any source, for  
15 use by the system [~~university~~], and to carry out the directions,  
16 limitations, and provisions declared in writing in the gifts,  
17 grants, or donations.

18 SECTION 9. Section 107.62, Education Code, is amended to  
19 read as follows:

20 Sec. 107.62. OBLIGATIONS; PLEDGE OF REVENUE. In payment  
21 for the erecting and equipping of dormitories and improvements, the  
22 board may issue its obligations in the amount and on the terms  
23 deemed advisable by the board. As security the board may pledge the  
24 income from the dormitories and improvements erected or from other  
25 dormitories owned by the system [~~university~~], as well as all other  
26 revenue derived by the system [~~university~~] from other sources,  
27 except revenue derived by means of appropriations made for a

1 specific purpose by the legislature.

2 SECTION 10. Section 107.63, Education Code, is amended to  
3 read as follows:

4 Sec. 107.63. SALE OF REAL ESTATE. The board may sell or  
5 encumber any part of [~~the campus or~~] real property [~~estate~~] owned by  
6 the system [~~university~~] for the purpose of obtaining funds with  
7 which to erect and equip these improvements or for the purpose of  
8 securing the payment of its obligations issued to any person, firm,  
9 or corporation for the erecting or equipping of these improvements.

10 SECTION 11. Section 107.64, Education Code, is amended to  
11 read as follows:

12 Sec. 107.64. REQUIRED DORMITORY RESIDENCE. The board may  
13 adopt regulations it deems reasonable requiring any class or  
14 classes of students to reside in system [~~university~~] dormitories or  
15 other buildings.

16 SECTION 12. Section 107.65, Education Code, is amended to  
17 read as follows:

18 Sec. 107.65. MANAGEMENT OF DORMITORIES. The board has  
19 absolute and sole management and control of system [~~university~~]  
20 dormitories and other improvements.

21 SECTION 13. Section 107.67, Education Code, is amended to  
22 read as follows:

23 Sec. 107.67. LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS. In the erecting,  
24 or in contracts for the erecting, of dormitories and other  
25 improvements, the board may not in any manner incur any  
26 indebtedness against the system [~~university~~] except as provided in  
27 Sections 107.62 and 107.63 [~~of this code~~]. The obligations

1 incurred in the erecting of dormitories and other improvements may  
2 never be personal obligations of the system [~~university~~] but shall  
3 be discharged solely from the revenue or property authorized to be  
4 pledged for that purpose.

5 SECTION 14. Section 107.69(a), Education Code, is amended  
6 to read as follows:

7 (a) The board may establish an historical collection of  
8 items illustrating the history of women in Texas. The historical  
9 collection is to be housed in a building belonging to the system  
10 [~~university~~] and is to be known as "The History of Texas Women."  
11 When established, the historical collection may be designated a  
12 state historical collection and shall be for the use and enjoyment  
13 of all citizens of Texas.

14 SECTION 15. Section 107.81(a), Education Code, is amended  
15 to read as follows:

16 (a) Campus security personnel commissioned under Section  
17 51.203 [~~of this code~~] have concurrent jurisdiction with police  
18 officers of a municipality in which a component institution of the  
19 system is located [~~the City of Denton~~] to enforce all criminal laws,  
20 including traffic laws, of the state and all ordinances of the  
21 municipality [~~city~~] regulating traffic on any public street running  
22 through the property of the system [~~university~~] and on any public  
23 street immediately adjacent to property owned or occupied and  
24 controlled by the system [~~university~~].

25 SECTION 16. Sections 107.82(a), (c), (d), and (e),  
26 Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

27 (a) The board of regents and the governing body of a

1 municipality in which a component institution of the system is  
2 located [~~city council of Denton~~] may enter into written agreements,  
3 authorized by resolution of each governing body, to authorize the  
4 regular employed peace officers of the system [~~university~~] to  
5 assist the peace officers of the municipality [~~city~~] in enforcing  
6 the laws of the state and the ordinances of the municipality [~~city~~]  
7 at any location in the municipality [~~city~~].

8 (c) While acting pursuant to the agreement in Subsection (a)  
9 [~~above~~] and when such act is outside the property of the system  
10 [~~university~~] or outside any public street running through, adjacent  
11 to, or within property owned or occupied and controlled by the  
12 system [~~university~~], the peace officers of the system [~~university~~]  
13 are under the jurisdiction and command of the chief of police of the  
14 municipality [~~Denton~~].

15 (d) Neither the state nor the system [~~university~~] is liable  
16 for actions of a campus police officer acting under the  
17 jurisdiction and command of the chief of police of the municipality  
18 [~~Denton~~].

19 (e) The system has [~~university shall have~~] jurisdiction  
20 over its personnel and students upon property owned by the system  
21 [~~university~~] to the extent that it may:

22 (1) assign and regulate parking spaces for its use and  
23 charge and collect appropriate fees for parking and improper  
24 parking;

25 (2) prohibit parking where it deems necessary; and

26 (3) set and collect fees for and remove vehicles  
27 parked in violation of its rules and regulations or the laws of the

1 State of Texas.

2 SECTION 17. Section 107.83, Education Code, is amended to  
3 read as follows:

4 Sec. 107.83. CITY DELEGATION OF PARKING REGULATION  
5 AUTHORITY. (a) By contract between the municipality [~~city~~] and the  
6 system [~~university~~], the governing body [~~city council~~] of the  
7 municipality in which a component institution of the system is  
8 located [~~Denton~~] may delegate to the system [~~university~~] the  
9 authority to regulate the parking of vehicles on any public street  
10 running through or immediately adjacent to property owned or  
11 occupied and controlled by the system [~~university~~].

12 (b) The contract may authorize the system [~~university~~] to  
13 assign and regulate parking spaces for its use, to charge and  
14 collect a fee from its personnel and students for parking, to  
15 prohibit parking, and to charge and collect a fee for removing  
16 vehicles parked in violation of law or ordinance or in violation of  
17 a rule governing the parking of vehicles adopted by the board. All  
18 parking violations shall be filed in the municipal court [~~Municipal~~  
19 ~~Court of Denton~~] or the justice of the peace court having  
20 jurisdiction over the offense.

21 (c) Before the contract is considered by the governing body  
22 of the municipality [~~city council~~] or the board, the attorney  
23 general and the applicable city attorney [~~of Denton~~] shall review  
24 and either approve the contract or file written legal objections to  
25 the contract with the chief executive officer of both the board and  
26 the governing body of the municipality [~~council~~]. The contract  
27 must be approved by resolution of the board and the governing body

1 of the municipality [~~city council~~].

2 SECTION 18. Section 107.84, Education Code, is amended to  
3 read as follows:

4 Sec. 107.84. CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCHAPTER. This subchapter  
5 does not:

6 (1) limit the police powers of a municipality [~~the~~  
7 ~~city~~] or its law enforcement jurisdiction;

8 (2) render a campus peace officer an employee of a  
9 municipality [~~the city~~] or entitle a campus peace officer to  
10 compensation from a municipality [~~the city~~]; or

11 (3) restrict the power of the system [~~university~~]  
12 under other law to enforce laws, ordinances, or rules regulating  
13 traffic or parking.

14 SECTION 19. Chapter 107, Education Code, is amended by  
15 adding Subchapters F, G, and H to read as follows:

16 SUBCHAPTER F. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY

17 Sec. 107.101. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY. (a) Texas Woman's  
18 University is a woman-focused general academic teaching  
19 institution located in the city of Denton.

20 (b) The university is under the management and control of  
21 the board of regents.

22 SUBCHAPTER G. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY AT DALLAS

23 Sec. 107.151. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY AT DALLAS. (a)  
24 Texas Woman's University at Dallas is a woman-focused general  
25 academic teaching institution located in the city of Dallas.

26 (b) The university is under the management and control of  
27 the board of regents.



1        (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter,  
2 the university may operate as a general academic teaching  
3 institution only after the Texas Higher Education Coordinating  
4 Board certifies that the university is accredited by the Southern  
5 Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and has  
6 been approved by the coordinating board to offer one or more degree  
7 programs. Until the coordinating board certifies that the  
8 conditions of this subsection have been met, the board of regents  
9 may operate a branch campus of Texas Woman's University in the city  
10 of Dallas.

11            SUBCHAPTER H. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY AT HOUSTON

12            Sec. 107.201. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY AT HOUSTON. (a)  
13 Texas Woman's University at Houston is a woman-focused general  
14 academic teaching institution located in the city of Houston.

15            (b) The university is under the management and control of  
16 the board of regents.

17            (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter,  
18 the university may operate as a general academic teaching  
19 institution only after the Texas Higher Education Coordinating  
20 Board certifies that the university is accredited by the Southern  
21 Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and has  
22 been approved by the coordinating board to offer one or more degree  
23 programs. Until the coordinating board certifies that the  
24 conditions of this subsection have been met, the board of regents  
25 may operate a branch campus of Texas Woman's University in the city  
26 of Houston.

27            SECTION 20. Section [50A.010](#), Agriculture Code, is amended

1 to read as follows:

2           Sec. 50A.010. DUTIES. (a) The council shall:

3                   (1) adopt procedures as necessary to administer this  
4 chapter, including procedures for awarding contracts under this  
5 chapter;

6                   (2) issue requests for research proposals and award  
7 grants:

8                           (A) to enhance the health benefits of fruits and  
9 vegetables; or

10                           (B) to help growers maximize crop yields through  
11 applied research;

12                   (3) develop educational materials that promote the  
13 benefits of consuming fruits and vegetables; and

14                   (4) in cooperation with the Texas Agricultural  
15 Experiment Station, The Texas A&M University System, Texas Tech  
16 University, The University of Texas System, the Texas Woman's  
17 University System, state agencies, and produce associations,  
18 develop innovative educational programs related to appropriate and  
19 safe methods of storing, preparing, and serving fresh produce.

20           (b) The council may:

21                   (1) issue requests for proposals as necessary to  
22 administer this chapter; or

23                   (2) publish educational materials or other materials  
24 developed in conjunction with employees of the Texas Agricultural  
25 Experiment Station, The Texas A&M University System, Texas Tech  
26 University, The University of Texas System, or the Texas Woman's  
27 University System.

1 SECTION 21. The heading to Section 54.5085, Education Code,  
2 is amended to read as follows:

3 Sec. 54.5085. MEDICAL SERVICES FEE; TEXAS WOMAN'S  
4 UNIVERSITY SYSTEM.

5 SECTION 22. Sections 54.5085(a), (b), and (c), Education  
6 Code, are amended to read as follows:

7 (a) The board of regents of the Texas Woman's University  
8 System may charge each student registered at a component  
9 institution of the system [~~university~~] a medical services fee not  
10 to exceed \$55 for each semester of the regular term or 12-week  
11 summer session and not to exceed \$25 for each six-week or shorter  
12 term of the summer session.

13 (b) Before the board imposes or increases a fee charged at a  
14 component institution under this section, the board shall consider  
15 the recommendations of a student fee advisory committee established  
16 by the president of the institution [~~university~~]. A majority of the  
17 members of the advisory committee must be students appointed by the  
18 presiding officer of the student governing body of the institution  
19 and the remainder of the members must be appointed by the president  
20 of the institution [~~university~~]. The board may increase the amount  
21 of the fee by an amount that is more than 10 percent of the amount  
22 imposed in the preceding academic year only if that increase is  
23 approved by a majority vote of those students of the institution  
24 [~~university~~] participating in a general election called for that  
25 purpose.

26 (c) A medical services fee charged at a component  
27 institution under this section may be used only to provide medical

1 services to students registered at the institution [~~university~~].

2 SECTION 23. Section 54.525, Education Code, is amended to  
3 read as follows:

4 Sec. 54.525. FEES FOR STUDENT CENTERS; TEXAS WOMAN'S  
5 UNIVERSITY SYSTEM COMPONENTS. (a) The board of regents of the  
6 Texas Woman's University System may levy a regular, fixed student  
7 fee of not less than \$25 or more than \$75 [~~per student~~] for each  
8 semester of the long session and of not less than \$12.50 or more  
9 than \$35 [~~per student~~] for each term of the summer session on each  
10 student enrolled at a component institution of the system, as the  
11 board determines is just and necessary for the purpose of  
12 financing, improving, operating, maintaining, and equipping  
13 student centers and acquiring or constructing additions to student  
14 centers.

15 (b) The board may increase a student fee levied at an  
16 institution under this section. If the increase is for more than \$3  
17 per fiscal year, a majority of the students enrolled in the  
18 institution voting in an election called for that purpose must  
19 approve the increase.

20 (c) Revenue from a fee imposed at an institution under this  
21 section shall be deposited to the credit of an account known as the  
22 student center fee account [~~"Texas Woman's University Student~~  
23 ~~Center Fee Account"~~] under the control of the institution's  
24 [~~university's~~] student fee advisory committee. Annually, the  
25 committee shall submit to the president of the institution  
26 [~~university~~] its recommendation for any change to the amount of the  
27 fee and a complete and itemized budget for the student center

1 together with a complete report of all student center activities  
2 conducted during the past year and all expenditures made in  
3 connection with those activities. The president shall submit the  
4 budget to the board of regents as part of the institution's  
5 [~~university's~~] institutional budget. The board of regents may make  
6 changes in the budget that the board determines are necessary.

7 (d) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), the board may increase  
8 the amount of the fee imposed at an institution for a semester or  
9 summer session to an amount that does not exceed \$150 if the  
10 increase is approved by a majority vote of those students enrolled  
11 at the institution participating in a general election called for  
12 that purpose. The increased amount under this subsection may not be  
13 charged after the fifth academic year in which the increased amount  
14 is first charged unless, before the end of that academic year, the  
15 institution has issued bonds payable from the fee, in which event  
16 the increased amount may not be charged after the academic year in  
17 which all such bonds, including refunding bonds for those bonds,  
18 have been fully paid.

19 SECTION 24. Section 54.5251, Education Code, is amended to  
20 read as follows:

21 Sec. 54.5251. STUDENT FITNESS AND RECREATIONAL FEE; TEXAS  
22 WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. (a) The board of regents of the Texas  
23 Woman's University System may charge each student enrolled at a  
24 component institution of the system [~~university~~] a student fitness  
25 and recreational fee in an amount not to exceed:

26 (1) \$125 for each regular semester or each summer  
27 session of more than six weeks; or

1           (2) \$62.50 for each summer session of six weeks or  
2 less.

3           (b) The fee may be used only for financing, constructing,  
4 operating, maintaining, or improving a fitness or recreational  
5 facility or for operating a fitness or recreational program at the  
6 institution [~~university~~].

7           (c) The fee may not be imposed unless approved by a majority  
8 vote of the students of the institution [~~university~~] who  
9 participate in a general student election held for that purpose.

10          (d) The amount of the fee may not be increased to an amount  
11 that exceeds by 10 percent or more the total amount of the fee as  
12 last approved by a student vote under Subsection (c) or this  
13 subsection unless the increase has been approved by a majority vote  
14 of the students enrolled at the institution [~~university~~] who  
15 participate in a general student election called for that purpose.

16          (e) The chief fiscal officer of the institution  
17 [~~university~~] shall collect the fee and shall deposit the revenue  
18 from the fee in an account to be known as the student fitness and  
19 recreational account.

20          (f) The fee is not considered in determining the maximum  
21 amount of student services fees that may be charged under Section  
22 [54.503](#).

23          (g) The board may permit a person who is not enrolled at the  
24 institution [~~university~~] to use a facility financed with revenue  
25 from the fee imposed at the institution under this section only if:

26           (1) the person's use will not materially interfere  
27 with use of the facility by students of the institution

1 ~~[university]~~;

2 (2) the person is charged a fee in an amount that is  
3 not less than the amount of the student fee or the total amount of  
4 the direct and indirect costs to the institution ~~[university]~~ of  
5 providing for the person's use, except that a charge under this  
6 subdivision may not be imposed on a person who uses the facility  
7 under an existing lifetime contract with the institution  
8 ~~[university]~~ for the use of fitness and recreational facilities;  
9 and

10 (3) the person's use will not materially increase the  
11 potential liability of the institution ~~[university]~~.

12 SECTION 25. Section 55.1718, Education Code, is amended to  
13 read as follows:

14 Sec. 55.1718. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. (a) The  
15 board of regents of the Texas Woman's University System may  
16 acquire, purchase, construct, improve, renovate, enlarge, or equip  
17 property, buildings, structures, facilities, roads, or related  
18 infrastructure for a component institution of the system ~~[Texas~~  
19 ~~Woman's University]~~ to be financed by the issuance of bonds in  
20 accordance with this subchapter in the aggregate principal amount  
21 of \$5 million.

22 (b) The board may pledge irrevocably to the payment of those  
23 bonds all or any part of the revenue funds of the Texas Woman's  
24 University System, including student tuition charges required or  
25 authorized by law to be imposed on students enrolled at a component  
26 institution of the system ~~[Texas Woman's University]~~. The amount  
27 of a pledge made under this subsection may not be reduced or

1 abrogated while the bonds for which the pledge is made, or bonds  
2 issued to refund those bonds, are outstanding.

3 SECTION 26. Section 55.1726, Education Code, is amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 Sec. 55.1726. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. (a) The  
6 board of regents of the Texas Woman's University System may  
7 acquire, purchase, construct, improve, renovate, enlarge, or equip  
8 property, buildings, structures, facilities, roads, or related  
9 infrastructure for a component institution of the system [~~Texas~~  
10 ~~Woman's University~~] to be financed by the issuance of bonds in  
11 accordance with this subchapter in the aggregate principal amount  
12 not to exceed \$8.5 million.

13 (b) The board may pledge irrevocably to the payment of those  
14 bonds all or any part of the revenue funds of the Texas Woman's  
15 University System, including student tuition charges required or  
16 authorized by law to be imposed on students enrolled at a component  
17 institution of the system [~~Texas Woman's University~~]. The amount  
18 of a pledge made under this subsection may not be reduced or  
19 abrogated while the bonds for which the pledge is made, or bonds  
20 issued to refund those bonds, are outstanding.

21 SECTION 27. Section 55.1736, Education Code, is amended to  
22 read as follows:

23 Sec. 55.1736. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. (a) In  
24 addition to the other authority granted by this subchapter, the  
25 board of regents of the Texas Woman's University System may issue  
26 bonds in accordance with this subchapter in the aggregate principal  
27 amount not to exceed \$25,797,500 to finance the renovation of



1 academic and administrative buildings at a component institution of  
2 the system [~~Texas Woman's University~~].

3 (b) The board may pledge irrevocably to the payment of those  
4 bonds all or any part of the revenue funds of the Texas Woman's  
5 University System, including student tuition charges. The amount  
6 of a pledge made under this subsection may not be reduced or  
7 abrogated while the bonds for which the pledge is made, or bonds  
8 issued to refund those bonds, are outstanding.

9 (c) Any portion of the proceeds of bonds authorized by this  
10 section for one or more specified projects that is not required for  
11 the specified projects may be used to renovate existing structures  
12 and facilities at a component [~~the~~] institution of the system.

13 SECTION 28. Section 55.1756, Education Code, is amended to  
14 read as follows:

15 Sec. 55.1756. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. (a) In  
16 addition to the other authority granted by this subchapter, the  
17 board of regents of the Texas Woman's University System may  
18 acquire, purchase, construct, improve, renovate, enlarge, or equip  
19 facilities, including roads and related infrastructure, for  
20 renovations and additions to the science building on the Denton  
21 campus of Texas Woman's University, to be financed through the  
22 issuance of bonds in accordance with this subchapter in an  
23 aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$21,739,712.

24 (b) The board may pledge irrevocably to the payment of bonds  
25 authorized by this section all or any part of the revenue funds of  
26 the Texas Woman's University System, including student tuition  
27 charges. The amount of a pledge made under this subsection may not

1 be reduced or abrogated while the bonds for which the pledge is  
2 made, or bonds issued to refund those bonds, are outstanding.

3 SECTION 29. Section 55.1786, Education Code, is amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 Sec. 55.1786. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. (a) In  
6 addition to the other authority granted by this subchapter, the  
7 board of regents of the Texas Woman's University System may  
8 acquire, purchase, construct, improve, renovate, enlarge, or equip  
9 property and facilities, including roads and related  
10 infrastructure, for a laboratory building, to be financed through  
11 the issuance of bonds in accordance with this subchapter, not to  
12 exceed the aggregate principal amount of \$37,997,000.

13 (b) The board may pledge irrevocably to the payment of bonds  
14 authorized by this section all or any part of the revenue funds of  
15 the Texas Woman's University System, including student tuition  
16 charges. The amount of a pledge made under this subsection may not  
17 be reduced or abrogated while the bonds for which the pledge is  
18 made, or bonds issued to refund those bonds, are outstanding.

19 SECTION 30. Section 62.021(a), Education Code, is amended  
20 to read as follows:

21 (a) In each state fiscal year beginning with the state  
22 fiscal year ending August 31, 2021, an eligible institution is  
23 entitled to receive an amount allocated in accordance with this  
24 section from the funds appropriated for that year by Section 17(a),  
25 Article VII, Texas Constitution. The comptroller shall distribute  
26 funds allocated under this subsection only on presentation of a  
27 claim and issuance of a warrant in accordance with Section 403.071,

1 Government Code. An eligible institution may not present a claim to  
2 be paid from any funds allocated under this subsection before the  
3 delivery of goods or services described in Section 17, Article VII,  
4 Texas Constitution, except for the payment of principal or interest  
5 on bonds or notes or for a payment for a book or other published  
6 library material as authorized by Section 2155.386, Government  
7 Code. The allocation of funds under this subsection is made in  
8 accordance with an equitable formula consisting of the following  
9 elements: space deficit, facilities condition, institutional  
10 complexity, and a separate allocation for the Texas State Technical  
11 College System. The annual amounts allocated by the formula are as  
12 follows:

- 13           (1) \$4,933,200 to Midwestern State University;
- 14           (2) to the following component institutions of the  
15 University of North Texas System:
- 16                   (A) \$37,346,563 to the University of North Texas;
- 17                   (B) \$15,125,502 to the University of North Texas  
18 Health Science Center at Fort Worth; and
- 19                   (C) \$3,354,441 to the University of North Texas  
20 at Dallas;
- 21           (3) \$11,277,793 to Stephen F. Austin State University;
- 22           (4) to the following component institutions of the  
23 Texas State University System:
- 24                   (A) \$13,141,181 to Lamar University;
- 25                   (B) \$2,553,130 to the Lamar Institute of  
26 Technology;
- 27                   (C) \$1,488,396 to Lamar State College--Orange;

- 1 (D) \$2,217,102 to Lamar State College--Port  
2 Arthur;
- 3 (E) \$18,236,811 to Sam Houston State University;
- 4 (F) \$37,606,478 to Texas State University;
- 5 (G) \$2,151,723 to Sul Ross State University; and
- 6 (H) \$472,890 to Sul Ross State University--Rio  
7 Grande College;
- 8 (5) \$11,719,335 to Texas Southern University;
- 9 (6) to the following component institutions of the  
10 Texas Tech University System:
- 11 (A) \$49,874,746 to Texas Tech University;
- 12 (B) \$21,652,392 to Texas Tech University Health  
13 Sciences Center;
- 14 (C) \$6,792,999 to Angelo State University; and
- 15 (D) \$5,557,572 to Texas Tech University Health  
16 Sciences Center--El Paso;
- 17 (7) \$14,554,133 to the component institutions of the  
18 Texas Woman's University System, allocated as determined by the  
19 board of regents of the system;
- 20 (8) to the following component institutions of the  
21 University of Houston System:
- 22 (A) \$54,514,004 to the University of Houston;
- 23 (B) \$3,542,817 to the University of  
24 Houston--Victoria;
- 25 (C) \$7,726,043 to the University of  
26 Houston--Clear Lake; and
- 27 (D) \$10,828,344 to the University of

1 Houston--Downtown;

2 (9) to the following component institutions of The  
3 Texas A&M University System:

4 (A) \$11,478,824 to Texas A&M University--Corpus  
5 Christi;

6 (B) \$7,462,394 to Texas A&M International  
7 University;

8 (C) \$8,858,060 to Texas A&  
9 University--Kingsville;

10 (D) \$7,446,495 to West Texas A&M University;

11 (E) \$11,123,859 to Texas A&  
12 University--Commerce; and

13 (F) \$2,050,273 to Texas A&  
14 University--Texarkana; and

15 (10) \$8,662,500 to the Texas State Technical College  
16 System Administration and the following component campuses, but not  
17 its extension centers or programs:

18 (A) Texas State Technical College--Harlingen;

19 (B) Texas State Technical College--Marshall;

20 (C) Texas State Technical College--West Texas;

21 (D) Texas State Technical College--Waco;

22 (E) Texas State Technical College--Fort Bend;

23 and

24 (F) Texas State Technical College--North Texas.

25 SECTION 31. Section 301.001(1), Health and Safety Code, is  
26 amended to read as follows:

27 (1) "Eligible institution" means an entity engaged in

1 health-related pursuits that, except for cooperative associations,  
2 is exempt from federal income tax and includes only:

- 3 (A) a municipality;
- 4 (B) a political subdivision of the state;
- 5 (C) a state-supported health-related  
6 institution, including:

- 7 (i) The Texas A&M University System;
- 8 (ii) The University of Texas System; and
- 9 (iii) the Texas Woman's University System;

- 10 (D) a nonprofit health-related institution; or
- 11 (E) a cooperative association created under  
12 Subchapter B, a unit of which is located in a county with a  
13 population of more than 3.3 million.

14 SECTION 32. Section 301.031(1), Health and Safety Code, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 (1) "Eligible institution" means an entity engaged in  
17 health-related pursuits that, except for cooperative associations,  
18 is exempt from federal income tax and includes only:

- 19 (A) a municipality;
- 20 (B) a political subdivision of the state;
- 21 (C) a health-related institution supported by  
22 the state or federal government or by a federal department,  
23 division, or agency, including:

- 24 (i) The Texas A&M University System;
- 25 (ii) The University of Texas System;
- 26 (iii) the Texas Woman's University System;

27 and

1 (iv) the Children's Nutrition Research  
2 Center;

3 (D) a nonprofit health-related institution; and

4 (E) a cooperative association created to provide  
5 a system, a unit of which is located in a county that has a  
6 population of more than 1.3 million and in which a municipality with  
7 a population of more than one million is primarily located, or in a  
8 county contiguous to a county having those characteristics.

9 SECTION 33. (a) The transition of Texas Woman's University  
10 to the Texas Woman's University System under this Act does not  
11 affect the validity of any contracts or written obligations,  
12 including bonds, entered into by the board of regents of Texas  
13 Woman's University on the university's behalf. In those contracts  
14 and written obligations, the board of regents of the Texas Woman's  
15 University System is substituted for and stands and acts in the  
16 place of the board of regents of Texas Woman's University to the  
17 extent permitted by law.

18 (b) The transition of Texas Woman's University to the Texas  
19 Woman's University System under this Act does not affect:

20 (1) the status of any student enrolled at the  
21 university when the transition takes effect; or

22 (2) the employment status or accrued benefits of any  
23 person employed by the university when the transition takes effect.

24 (c) All funds that, on the effective date of the transition,  
25 have been appropriated to or dedicated to or are held for the use  
26 and benefit of Texas Woman's University are transferred to the  
27 Texas Woman's University System for the use and benefit of the

1 system to the extent permitted by law.

2 (d) The changes in law made by this Act to Sections 55.1718,  
3 55.1726, 55.1736, 55.1756, and 55.1786, Education Code, do not  
4 authorize bonds in an amount that exceeds the original amount of  
5 bonds authorized by those sections.

6 (e) The board of regents of the Texas Woman's University  
7 System may take any action necessary to transition Texas Woman's  
8 University to the Texas Woman's University System under this Act,  
9 including by:

10 (1) allocating university funds, property, and  
11 personnel as the board determines appropriate between the system's  
12 component institutions; and

13 (2) postponing the effect of any other changes made by  
14 this Act as the board determines appropriate.

15 SECTION 34. This Act takes effect immediately if it  
16 receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each  
17 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution.  
18 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate  
19 effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2021.