

Amend SB 800 by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION and renumbering the other SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Subchapter B, Chapter 55, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 55.1741 to read as follows:

Sec. 55.1741. THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM; ADDITIONAL REVENUE BONDS. (a) In addition to the other authority granted by this subchapter, the board of regents of The Texas A&M University System may acquire, purchase, construct, improve, renovate, enlarge, or equip property, buildings, structures, or other facilities, including roads and related infrastructure, for The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center to develop a biosciences research center in the city of Temple, to be financed by the issuance of bonds in accordance with this subchapter, including bonds issued in accordance with a systemwide revenue financing program and secured as provided by that program, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$15 million.

(b) The board may pledge irrevocably to the payment of the bonds authorized by this section all or any part of the revenue funds of an institution, branch, or entity of The Texas A&M University System, including student tuition charges. The amount of a pledge made under this subsection may not be reduced or abrogated while the bonds for which the pledge is made, or bonds issued to refund those bonds, are outstanding.

(c) If sufficient funds are not available to the board to meet its obligations under this section, the board may transfer funds among institutions, branches, and entities of The Texas A&M University System to ensure the most equitable and efficient allocation of available resources for each institution, branch, or entity to carry out its duties and purposes.

(d) If the Temple Health and Bioscience Economic Development District is established, the district is responsible for the payment of debt service on the bonds authorized by this section for any facilities financed by the bonds that are located in the district and used to support the purposes or programs of the district.

(e) The legislature may not appropriate general revenue to pay, or to reimburse the board or Texas A&M University for the

payment of, debt service on bonds authorized by this section.