

AN ACT

relating to student center fees at Stephen F. Austin State University.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 54.520(a) and (b), Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) To the extent approved by the students under Subsection (b) ~~[of this section]~~, the board of regents of Stephen F. Austin State University may charge each student enrolled in one or more courses conducted by ~~[on the main campus of]~~ the university a ~~[regular, fixed]~~ fee in the amount of \$9 for each semester credit hour, in a total amount of at least \$35 but not to exceed \$85 ~~[\$15]~~ per student for each semester or ~~[of the long session and not to exceed \$7.50 per student for all or part of each six-week term of the]~~ summer session, for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, renovating, operating, maintaining, improving, equipping, and financing a ~~[the]~~ university center ~~[and acquiring]~~ or ~~[constructing]~~ additions to the center. ~~[The amount of the fee may be changed at any time within the limits specified in order to provide sufficient funds to support the university center.]~~ The fees authorized in this section supplement any other use or service fee authorized by law.

(b) The decision to levy ~~[such]~~ a fee under this section ~~[, the amount of the initial fee, and any increase in the fee]~~ must be

1 approved by a majority vote of those students participating in a  
2 general election called for that purpose.

3 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
4 to fees imposed for a semester or term that begins on or after the  
5 effective date of this Act.

6 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
10 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 882 was passed by the House on April 10, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 882 on May 22, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 882 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 20, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor