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H.B. No. 1155

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to travel services affecting public junior colleges and  
3 school districts.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 2171.055, Government Code, is amended by  
6 amending Subsection (b) and by adding Subsection (f) to read as  
7 follows:

8 (b) An institution of higher education as defined by Section  
9 61.003, Education Code, including a public junior college, may ~~[is~~  
10 ~~not required to]~~ participate in the commission's contracts for  
11 travel agency services or other travel services ~~[purchased from~~  
12 ~~funds other than general revenue funds or educational and general~~  
13 ~~funds as defined by Section 51.009, Education Code]~~. The Employees  
14 Retirement System of Texas is not required to participate in the  
15 commission's contracts for travel agency services or other travel  
16 services purchased from funds other than general revenue funds.

17 (f) An officer or employee of a school district who is  
18 engaged in official school district business may participate in the  
19 commission's contract for travel services for the purpose of  
20 obtaining reduced airline fares and reduced travel agent fees. The  
21 commission may charge a participating school district a fee not to  
22 exceed the costs incurred by the commission in providing services  
23 under this subsection. The commission shall periodically review  
24 the fees and shall adjust them as needed to ensure recovery of costs

1 incurred in providing services to school districts under this  
2 subsection.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.