

AN ACT

relating to a fee for statues of Barbara Jordan and Cesar Chavez and related scholarships at The University of Texas at Austin.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 54.5135 to read as follows:

Sec. 54.5135. BARBARA JORDAN AND CESAR CHAVEZ STATUES FEE; THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN. (a) The board of regents of The University of Texas System may charge and collect from students registered at The University of Texas at Austin a fee of \$2 for any semester or summer session. The fee shall be used for funding the construction of a Barbara Jordan statue and a Cesar Chavez statue on the campus of The University of Texas at Austin and to establish Barbara Jordan and Cesar Chavez student scholarships.

(b) The board shall deposit one-half of the revenue collected from the fee into the Barbara Jordan statue fee account for the purposes of constructing the Barbara Jordan statue and, if funds permit, establishing Barbara Jordan student scholarships. Any funds deposited in the account in excess of the cost of the construction of the statue shall be used to establish the student scholarships.

(c) The board shall deposit the remaining revenue collected from the fee into the Cesar Chavez statue fee account for the purposes of constructing the Cesar Chavez statue and, if funds

1 permit, establishing Cesar Chavez student scholarships. Any funds
2 deposited in the account in excess of the cost of the construction
3 of the statue shall be used to establish the student scholarships.

4 (d) A fee may not be charged under this section after August
5 31, 2007.

6 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies
7 beginning with fees due for the 2003 fall semester.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1537 was passed by the House on April 30, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 107, Nays 28, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1537 was passed by the Senate on May 23, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 1.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor