

1-1 By: Dukes, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Barrientos) H.B. No. 1537  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 1, 2003;  
1-3 May 6, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Education; May 19, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 19, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to a fee for statues of Barbara Jordan and Cesar Chavez and  
1-9 related scholarships at The University of Texas at Austin.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, is  
1-12 amended by adding Section 54.5135 to read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 54.5135. BARBARA JORDAN AND CESAR CHAVEZ STATUES FEE;  
1-14 THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN. (a) The board of regents of The  
1-15 University of Texas System may charge and collect from students  
1-16 registered at The University of Texas at Austin a fee of \$2 for any  
1-17 semester or summer session. The fee shall be used for funding the  
1-18 construction of a Barbara Jordan statue and a Cesar Chavez statue on  
1-19 the campus of The University of Texas at Austin and to establish  
1-20 Barbara Jordan and Cesar Chavez student scholarships.

1-21 (b) The board shall deposit one-half of the revenue  
1-22 collected from the fee into the Barbara Jordan statue fee account  
1-23 for the purposes of constructing the Barbara Jordan statue and, if  
1-24 funds permit, establishing Barbara Jordan student scholarships.  
1-25 Any funds deposited in the account in excess of the cost of the  
1-26 construction of the statue shall be used to establish the student  
1-27 scholarships.

1-28 (c) The board shall deposit the remaining revenue collected  
1-29 from the fee into the Cesar Chavez statue fee account for the  
1-30 purposes of constructing the Cesar Chavez statue and, if funds  
1-31 permit, establishing Cesar Chavez student scholarships. Any funds  
1-32 deposited in the account in excess of the cost of the construction  
1-33 of the statue shall be used to establish the student scholarships.

1-34 (d) A fee may not be charged under this section after August  
1-35 31, 2007.

1-36 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies  
1-37 beginning with fees due for the 2003 fall semester.

1-38 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-39 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-40 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-41 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-42 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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