

1-1 By: Mercer, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Van de Putte) H.B. No. 1649
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1-8 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1649 By: Van de Putte

1-9 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-10 AN ACT

1-11 relating to student fees charged at The University of Texas at San
1-12 Antonio.

1-13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-14 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, is
1-15 amended by adding Sections 54.5321 and 54.5322 to read as follows:

1-16 Sec. 54.5321. TRANSPORTATION FEE; THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
1-17 AT SAN ANTONIO. (a) The board of regents of The University of
1-18 Texas System may impose on each student enrolled at The University
1-19 of Texas at San Antonio a transportation fee not to exceed \$50 for
1-20 each regular semester and not to exceed \$25 for each term of the
1-21 summer session, for the sole purpose of financing transportation
1-22 services, including capital expenses, for students attending The
1-23 University of Texas at San Antonio. The fee is in addition to any
1-24 other use fee or service fee authorized by law. The fee may not be
1-25 imposed unless the fee is approved by a majority vote of the
1-26 students participating in a general student election held for that
1-27 purpose.

1-28 (b) The board may not increase the amount of the
1-29 transportation fee in any academic year unless the amount of the
1-30 increase is approved by a majority vote of the students
1-31 participating in a general student election held for that purpose.

1-32 (c) Revenue from the fee shall be deposited to an account
1-33 known as The University of Texas at San Antonio Transportation Fee
1-34 Account and shall be expended in accordance with a budget submitted
1-35 to and approved by the board. The board shall make any changes in
1-36 the budget the board considers necessary before approving the
1-37 budget and shall impose the fee, within the limits provided by this
1-38 section, in an amount sufficient to meet the budget as approved.

1-39 (d) A fee imposed under this section may not be considered
1-40 in determining the maximum amount of student services fees that may
1-41 be charged under Section 54.503.

1-42 (e) The university shall hold in reserve any fee revenue
1-43 that exceeds the amount necessary to meet the current expenses of
1-44 the transportation services and shall apply that revenue only to
1-45 future expenses of the transportation services.

1-46 Sec. 54.5322. INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS FEE; THE
1-47 UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO. (a) The board of regents of
1-48 The University of Texas System may impose a mandatory
1-49 intercollegiate athletics fee on each student enrolled at The
1-50 University of Texas at San Antonio. The amount of the fee may not
1-51 exceed \$7 per semester credit hour for each regular semester, not to
1-52 exceed a total of \$84 per semester, unless the amount is increased
1-53 by the board, subject to the limitation provided by Subsection (b).
1-54 The fee may not be imposed unless approved by a majority vote of the
1-55 students participating in a general student election held for that
1-56 purpose.

1-57 (b) The board may not increase the amount of the fee in any
1-58 academic year unless the amount of the increase is approved by a
1-59 majority vote of the students participating in a general student
1-60 election held for that purpose.

1-61 (c) The board may prorate the amount of the fee for a summer
1-62 session.

1-63 (d) The fee imposed under this section may not be considered

2-1 in determining the maximum amount of student services fees that may
2-2 be imposed under Section 54.503.

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

2-6 SECTION 3. This Act take effect immediately if it receives a
2-7 vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-10 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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