

1-1 By: Mercer, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Van de Putte) H.B. No. 1650
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 7, 2003;
1-3 April 9, 2003, read first time and referred to Subcommittee on
1-4 Higher Education; May 15, 2003, reported to Committee on
1-5 Education; May 19, 2003, reported adversely, with favorable
1-6 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0;
1-7 May 19, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1650 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. Sections 54.532(a) and (c), Education Code, are
1-15 amended to read as follows:

1-16 (a) The board of regents of The University of Texas System
1-17 may levy a student union fee of not less than \$20 or more than \$150
1-18 [~~\$75~~] for each semester or summer session, assessed in proportion
1-19 to the number of credit hours for which a student registers, for the
1-20 sole purpose of financing, operating, maintaining, and improving a
1-21 student union building for The University of Texas at San Antonio.
1-22 This fee may be levied in addition to any other use or service fee.

1-23 (c) The board may not increase the amount of the student
1-24 union fee [~~by more than 10 percent~~] in any academic year unless the
1-25 amount of the increase is approved by a majority of the students
1-26 voting in an election held for that purpose and by a majority of the
1-27 student government of the institution.

1-28 SECTION 2. Section 54.543, Education Code, is amended by
1-29 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (g) to read as
1-30 follows:

1-31 (a) The board of regents of The University of Texas System
1-32 may charge each student enrolled at The University of Texas at San
1-33 Antonio a recreational facility fee not to exceed \$100 [~~\$30~~] for
1-34 each semester of the regular term or summer session to finance,
1-35 construct, operate, maintain, or improve student recreational
1-36 facilities at the university.

1-37 (g) The board may not increase the amount of the
1-38 recreational facility fee in any academic year unless the amount of
1-39 the increase is approved by a majority vote of the students
1-40 participating in a general student election held for that purpose.

1-41 SECTION 3. (a) Subject to Subsection (b), the change in
1-42 law made by this Act applies only to fees imposed for a semester or
1-43 term that begins on or after the effective date of this Act.

1-44 (b) The change in law made by this Act in amending Section
1-45 54.532(a), Education Code, applies only to fees imposed under that
1-46 subsection beginning with the 2007 fall semester.

1-47 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-48 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-49 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-50 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-51 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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