

1-1 By: Rangel, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Lucio) H.B. No. 2457
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2003;
1-3 May 7, 2003, read first time and referred to Subcommittee on Higher
1-4 Education; May 22, 2003, reported to Committee on Education;
1-5 May 23, 2003, reported favorably, as amended, by the following
1-6 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 23, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 1 By: Janek

1-8 On page 1 lines 30 - 32, strike all language after "purpose" and add
1-9 "."

1-10 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-11 AN ACT

1-12 relating to an intercollegiate athletics fee at Texas A&M
1-13 University--Kingsville.

1-14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-15 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, is
1-16 amended by adding Section 54.5392 to read as follows:

1-17 Sec. 54.5392. INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS FEE; TEXAS A&M
1-18 UNIVERSITY--KINGSVILLE. (a) The board of regents of The Texas A&M
1-19 University System may impose an intercollegiate athletics fee on
1-20 each student enrolled at Texas A&M University--Kingsville. The fee
1-21 may not be imposed unless approved by a majority vote of the
1-22 students participating in a general student election held at the
1-23 university for that purpose.

1-24 (b) The amount of the fee may not exceed \$12 per semester
1-25 credit hour for each semester or summer session, unless the amount
1-26 is increased as provided by Subsection (c).

1-27 (c) The amount of the fee per semester credit hour may be
1-28 increased from one academic year to the next only if approved by a
1-29 majority vote of the students participating in a general student
1-30 election held for that purpose or, if the amount of the increase
1-31 does not exceed five percent, by a majority vote of the legislative
1-32 body of the student government of the university.

1-33 (d) A student enrolled in more than 13 semester credit hours
1-34 shall pay the fee in an amount equal to the amount imposed on a
1-35 student enrolled in 13 semester credit hours during the same
1-36 semester or session.

1-37 (e) A fee imposed under this section may be used to develop
1-38 and maintain an intercollegiate athletics program at the
1-39 university.

1-40 (f) A fee imposed under this section is in addition to any
1-41 other fee authorized by law and may not be considered in determining
1-42 the maximum amount of student services fees that may be imposed
1-43 under Section 54.503(b).

1-44 (g) If the imposition of a mandatory intercollegiate
1-45 athletics fee as described by this section was approved by a
1-46 majority vote of the students of the university participating in a
1-47 general student election held on or after January 1, 2002, the board
1-48 of regents may impose the fee as prescribed by the results of the
1-49 election without calling an additional election. This subsection
1-50 expires January 1, 2005.

1-51 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2003 fall
1-52 semester.

1-53 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-54 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-55 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-56 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-57 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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