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H.B. No. 3425

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to an intercollegiate athletics fee at Prairie View A&M
3 University.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 54.5393 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 54.5393. INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS FEE: PRAIRIE VIEW
8 A&M UNIVERSITY. (a) The board of regents of The Texas A&M University
9 System may impose an intercollegiate athletics fee on each student
10 enrolled at Prairie View A&M University in an amount not to exceed
11 \$10 per semester credit hour.

12 (b) The amount of the fee imposed on a student in a semester
13 or session may not exceed the amount of the fee imposed on a student
14 enrolled in 15 semester credit hours during the same semester or
15 session.

16 (c) The fee may not be imposed unless approved by a majority
17 vote of the students of the university participating in a general
18 student election held for that purpose.

19 (d) The amount of the fee per semester credit hour may be
20 increased from one academic year to the next only if approved by a
21 majority vote of the legislative body of the student government of
22 the university. If the amount of the increase exceeds five percent,
23 the increase must also be approved by a majority vote of the
24 students of the university participating in a general student

1 election held for that purpose.

2 (e) A fee imposed under this section may be used to develop
3 and maintain an intercollegiate athletics program at the
4 university.

5 (f) A fee imposed under this section is in addition to any
6 other fee authorized by law and may not be considered in determining
7 the maximum amount of student services fees that may be imposed
8 under Section 54.503.

9 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2003 fall
10 semester.

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