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S.J.R. No. 59

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment to provide for the
2 continuation of funding for capital improvements and acquisitions
3 at The University of Texas at Arlington.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 17, Article VII, Texas Constitution, is
6 amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to
7 read as follows:

8 (b) The funds appropriated under Subsection (a) of this
9 section shall be for the use of the following eligible agencies and
10 institutions of higher education (even though their names may be
11 changed):

12 (1) Texas A&M University--Commerce [~~East Texas State~~
13 ~~University~~] including Texas A&M University--Texarkana [~~East Texas~~
14 ~~State University at Texarkana~~];

15 (2) Lamar University including Lamar State
16 College--Orange [~~University at Orange~~] and Lamar State
17 College--Port Arthur [~~University at Port Arthur~~];

18 (3) Midwestern State University;

19 (4) University of North Texas;

20 (5) The University of Texas--Pan American including
21 The University of Texas at Brownsville;

22 (6) Stephen F. Austin State University;

23 (7) University of North Texas Health Science Center at
24 Fort Worth [~~Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine~~];

1 (8) Texas State University System Administration and
2 the following component institutions:

3 (9) Angelo State University;

4 (10) Sam Houston State University;

5 (11) Southwest Texas State University;

6 (12) Sul Ross State University including Sul Ross
7 University Rio Grande College [~~Uvalde Study Center~~];

8 (13) Texas Southern University;

9 (14) Texas Tech University;

10 (15) Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center;

11 (16) Texas Woman's University;

12 (17) University of Houston System Administration and
13 the following component institutions:

14 (18) University of Houston;

15 (19) University of Houston--Victoria;

16 (20) University of Houston--Clear Lake;

17 (21) University of Houston--Downtown;

18 (22) Texas A&M University--Corpus Christi;

19 (23) Texas A&M International University;

20 (24) Texas A&M University--Kingsville;

21 (25) West Texas A&M University; [~~and~~]

22 (26) The University of Texas at Arlington; and

23 (27) Texas State Technical College System and its
24 campuses, but not its extension centers or programs.

25 (b-1) The University of Texas at Arlington is not entitled
26 to participate in the funding provided by this section before the
27 state fiscal year that begins in 2005.

1 SECTION 2. Section 18, Article VII, Texas Constitution, is
2 amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to
3 read as follows:

4 (b) The Board of Regents of The University of Texas System
5 may issue bonds and notes not to exceed a total amount of 20 percent
6 of the cost value of investments and other assets of the permanent
7 university fund (exclusive of real estate) at the time of issuance
8 thereof, and may pledge all or any part of its two-thirds interest
9 in the available university fund to secure the payment of the
10 principal and interest of those bonds and notes, for the purpose of
11 acquiring land either with or without permanent improvements,
12 constructing and equipping buildings or other permanent
13 improvements, major repair and rehabilitation of buildings and
14 other permanent improvements, acquiring capital equipment and
15 library books and library materials, and refunding bonds or notes
16 issued under this section or prior law, at or for The University of
17 Texas System administration and the following component
18 institutions of the system:

- 19 (1) ~~[The University of Texas at Arlington;~~
20 ~~[(2)]~~ The University of Texas at Austin;
21 (2) ~~[(3)]~~ The University of Texas at Dallas;
22 (3) ~~[(4)]~~ The University of Texas at El Paso;
23 (4) ~~[(5)]~~ The University of Texas of the Permian
24 Basin;
25 (5) ~~[(6)]~~ The University of Texas at San Antonio;
26 (6) ~~[(7)]~~ The University of Texas at Tyler;
27 (7) ~~[(8)]~~ The University of Texas Southwestern

1 Medical [~~Health Science~~] Center at Dallas;

2 (8) [~~(9)~~] The University of Texas Medical Branch at
3 Galveston;

4 (9) [~~(10)~~] The University of Texas Health Science
5 Center at Houston;

6 (10) [~~(11)~~] The University of Texas Health Science
7 Center at San Antonio;

8 (11) [~~(12)~~] The University of Texas M.D. Anderson
9 [~~System~~] Cancer Center;

10 (12) [~~(13)~~] The University of Texas Health Center at
11 Tyler; and

12 (13) [~~(14)~~] The University of Texas Institute of Texan
13 Cultures at San Antonio.

14 (b-1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
15 constitution, the Board of Regents of The University of Texas
16 System shall apply a portion of its two-thirds interest in the
17 available university fund to the payment of the principal of and
18 interest on bonds and notes, including refunding bonds and notes,
19 issued under Subsection (b) of this section for the benefit of The
20 University of Texas at Arlington, without regard to whether that
21 university remains a component institution of The University of
22 Texas System, until those bonds and notes, and any refunding bonds
23 or notes for those bonds and notes, have been fully paid.

24 SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
25 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 4, 2003.
26 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
27 proposition: "The constitutional amendment to provide for the

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