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H.B. No. 68

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to appropriations to The Texas A&M University System and  
3 to Texas A&M University--Kingsville in connection with the Irma  
4 Rangel School of Pharmacy.

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

6 SECTION 1. In addition to other amounts appropriated to  
7 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices by  
8 the 78th or 79th Legislature, the amount of \$3 million is  
9 appropriated out of the general revenue fund to that university  
10 system for the two-year period beginning on the effective date of  
11 this Act to repay that university system for the amounts it advanced  
12 to Texas A&M University--Kingsville to cover start-up costs for the  
13 Irma Rangel School of Pharmacy. The university system may spend the  
14 amounts appropriated by this section for purposes for which the  
15 system was authorized to spend the amounts advanced.

16 SECTION 2. The amount of \$6,535,500 is appropriated out of  
17 the general revenue fund to Texas A&M University--Kingsville for  
18 the state fiscal year ending August 31, 2006, for operational,  
19 instructional, and infrastructure support costs related to the Irma  
20 Rangel School of Pharmacy. The number of full-time-equivalent  
21 positions (FTEs) that the university may fill using appropriated  
22 funds is increased by 23 over the number otherwise authorized for  
23 the university for that fiscal year for the purposes of operating,  
24 providing instruction at, and providing infrastructure support to

1 the pharmacy school.

2 SECTION 3. The amount of \$6,520,625 is appropriated out of  
3 the general revenue fund to Texas A&M University--Kingsville for  
4 the state fiscal year ending August 31, 2007, for operational,  
5 instructional, and infrastructure support costs related to the Irma  
6 Rangel School of Pharmacy. The number of full-time-equivalent  
7 positions (FTEs) that the university may fill using appropriated  
8 funds is increased by 33 over the number otherwise authorized for  
9 the university for that fiscal year for the purposes of operating,  
10 providing instruction at, and providing infrastructure support to  
11 the pharmacy school.

12 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
16 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the  
17 legislative session.