

1-1 By: Haggerty (Senate Sponsor - Shapleigh) H.B. No. 1412
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2005;
1-3 April 12, 2005, read first time and referred to Subcommittee on
1-4 Higher Education; May 19, 2005, reported favorably to Committee on
1-5 Education; May 23, 2005, reported adversely, with favorable
1-6 Committee Substitute from Committee on Education by the following
1-7 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 23, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1412 By: Van de Putte

1-9 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-10 AN ACT

1-11 relating to the recreational facility fee at The University of
1-12 Texas at El Paso.

1-13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-14 SECTION 1. Sections 54.541(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 charge each student enrolled at The University of Texas at El
1-18 Paso a recreational facility fee not to exceed \$12 per student per
1-19 semester or summer session or a greater amount not to exceed \$40 per
1-20 student per semester or summer session if that maximum amount is
1-21 approved by a two-thirds vote of those students participating in a
1-22 general student election called at the university for that purpose.
1-23 The election may be held at the same time as an election under
1-24 Subsection (c) to increase the amount of the fee charged. The fee
1-25 may be used only for financing, constructing, operating,
1-26 maintaining, and improving new and existing recreational sports
1-27 facilities and programs at The University of Texas at El Paso.

1-28 (c) The amount of the recreational facility fee charged to a
1-29 student may not be increased from one academic year to the next
1-30 [levied] unless the amount of the increase [fee] is approved [and
1-31 the amount of the fee is set] by a two-thirds [majority] vote of
1-32 those students participating in a general student election called
1-33 at The University of Texas at El Paso for that purpose.

1-34 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply
1-35 beginning with the 2005 fall semester.

1-36 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-37 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-38 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-39 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-40 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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