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H.B. No. 1737

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the establishment of a dual usage educational complex by a junior college district and other political subdivisions or institutions of higher education.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 130, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 130.0103 to read as follows:

Sec. 130.0103. DUAL USAGE EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX. (a) With the approval of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the board of trustees of a junior college district may establish and operate a dual usage educational complex to provide a shared facility for the educational activities of the district and other participating entities. The board of trustees may enter into a cooperative agreement governing the operation and use of the complex with the governing bodies of one or more of the following entities:

(1) a county, municipality, or school district located in whole or in part in the service area of the junior college district; or

(2) another institution of higher education with a campus or other educational facility located in the same state uniform service region as adopted by the coordinating board.

(b) The junior college district shall coordinate and supervise the operation of the complex. The use and the costs

1 associated with the establishment and operation of the complex  
2 shall be shared by the district and the other participating  
3 entities under the terms of the cooperative agreement.

4         SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.