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H.B. No. 3032

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to reduced tuition for certain public junior college  
3 district students.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 130.0032, Texas Education Code, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 130.0032. TUITION FOR STUDENTS RESIDING OUTSIDE OF  
8 DISTRICT. (a) The governing board of a public junior college  
9 district may allow a person who resides outside the district and who  
10 owns property subject to ad valorem taxation by the district or a  
11 dependent of the person, to pay tuition at the rate applicable to a  
12 student who resides in the district.

13 (b) The governing board of a public junior college district  
14 may allow a person who resides outside the district and in the  
15 taxing district of a contiguous public junior college district to  
16 pay tuition and fees at the rate applicable to a student who resides  
17 in the district.

18 (c) The governing board of a public junior college district  
19 may allow a person who resides outside the district to pay tuition  
20 and fees at a rate less than the rate applicable to other persons  
21 residing outside the district, but not less than the rate  
22 applicable to a student who resides in the district, if the person:

23 (1) resides within the service area of the district;

24 and

1           (2) ~~[does not reside in an independent school district~~  
2 ~~that meets the criteria of the coordinating board for the~~  
3 ~~establishment of a junior college district under Section 130.013,~~  
4 ~~and~~

5           ~~(3)~~ demonstrates financial need in accordance with  
6 rules adopted by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

7           SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
8 to tuition for a semester that begins on or after December 1, 2005.

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