

1-1 By: Staples S.B. No. 283
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1-7 printer.)

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to a recreational sports fee at Stephen F. Austin State
1-11 University.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, is
1-14 amended by adding Section 54.5201 to read as follows:

1-15 Sec. 54.5201. RECREATIONAL SPORTS FEE; STEPHEN F. AUSTIN
1-16 STATE UNIVERSITY. (a) The board of regents of Stephen F. Austin
1-17 State University may charge each student enrolled at the university
1-18 a recreational sports fee not to exceed \$120 per semester or summer
1-19 session of longer than six weeks or \$60 per summer session of six
1-20 weeks or less. The fee may be used to purchase equipment for and to
1-21 construct, operate, and maintain recreational sports facilities
1-22 and programs.

1-23 (b) The recreational sports fee authorized by this section
1-24 may not be increased more than 10 percent from one academic year to
1-25 the next unless the increase has been approved by a majority vote of
1-26 those students participating in a general student election called
1-27 for that purpose. The fee may not exceed the amounts provided by
1-28 Subsection (a).

1-29 (c) The chief fiscal officer of the university shall collect
1-30 any student recreational sports fee imposed under this section and
1-31 shall deposit the money collected in an account to be known as the
1-32 student recreational sports account.

1-33 (d) A student recreational sports fee imposed under this
1-34 section is not counted in determining the maximum student services
1-35 fee that may be charged under Section 54.503.

1-36 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
1-37 to fees imposed for a semester or term that begins on or after the
1-38 effective date of this Act.

1-39 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-40 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-41 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-42 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-43 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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