By: Shapiro S.B. No. 532

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to tuition for a student registered in a public junior

3 college.

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

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5 SECTION 1. Subsection (n), Section 54.051, Education Code, 6 is amended to read as follows:

(n) Tuition for a resident student registered in a public junior college is determined by the governing board of each institution, but the tuition may not be less than \$8 for each semester credit hour and may not total less than \$25 for a semester. Tuition for a nonresident student is determined by the governing board of each institution but the tuition may not be less than \$200 for each semester. The governing board of a public junior college may set a different tuition rate for each program, course, or course level offered by the institution, including a program, course, or

SECTION 2. Subsection (n), Section 54.051, Education Code, as amended by this Act, applies beginning with tuition charged for the 2005 fall semester. Tuition charged for an academic period before the 2005 fall semester is covered by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

course level described by another provision of this section.

23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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- 1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 3 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.