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S.B. No. 1138

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT

relating to a student recreational and health facilities fee at  
Midwestern State University.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, is  
amended by adding Section 54.5441 to read as follows:

Sec. 54.5441. STUDENT RECREATIONAL AND HEALTH FACILITIES  
FEE; MIDWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY. (a) The board of regents of  
Midwestern State University may charge each student enrolled at the  
university a recreational and health facilities fee not to exceed  
\$130 per semester or summer session of longer than six weeks or \$65  
per summer session of six weeks or less. The fee may be used to  
finance, construct, operate, renovate, or maintain recreational  
and wellness facilities and programs at the university.

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

(c) The chief fiscal officer of the university shall collect  
any recreational and health facilities fee imposed under this  
section and shall deposit the money collected in an account to be  
known as the student recreational and health facilities account.

1        (d) A recreational and health facilities fee imposed under  
2 this section is not counted in determining the maximum student  
3 services fee that may be charged under Section 54.503.

4        SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
5 to fees imposed for a semester or term that begins on or after the  
6 effective date of this Act.

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