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1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 479 By: Janek

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

1-10 relating to the operation of a student health center at an  
1-11 institution of higher education.

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

1-13 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 51, Education Code, is  
1-14 amended by adding Section 51.953 to read as follows:

1-15 Sec. 51.953. CERTAIN REVENUE RECEIVED FROM STUDENT HEALTH  
1-16 CENTER SERVICES. (a) In this section:

1-17 (1) "Health benefit plan" means any health benefit  
1-18 plan regulated under the Insurance Code, including:

1-19 (A) an individual or group health insurance  
1-20 policy; or

1-21 (B) an evidence of coverage issued by a health  
1-22 maintenance organization.

1-23 (2) "Institution of higher education" has the meaning  
1-24 assigned by Section 61.003.

1-25 (b) Amounts received by an institution of higher education  
1-26 from a health benefit plan issuer as a result of a claim filed with  
1-27 the issuer by or on behalf of the institution's student health  
1-28 center are institutional funds under Section 51.009 and may be used  
1-29 only for the construction, improvement, operation, or maintenance  
1-30 of the student health center or to increase or enhance the services  
1-31 offered by the student health center. It is the intent of the  
1-32 legislature that those amounts be in addition to other amounts of  
1-33 money allocated to the student health center and those other  
1-34 amounts not be reduced.

1-35 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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