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S.B. No. 1342

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to authorization for an exemption from tuition and fees
3 charged by a junior college district for employees of the district
4 and for state reimbursement of the district's revenue loss from the
5 exemption.

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

7 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 130, Education Code, is
8 amended by adding Section 130.0851 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 130.0851. TUITION EXEMPTION FOR DISTRICT EMPLOYEES.

10 (a) The governing board of a junior college district may exempt a
11 district employee who enrolls in courses offered by the district
12 from the payment of all or part of the tuition or fees charged to a
13 student at a junior college by the district.

14 (b) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall
15 include in the formulas established under Section 61.059 funding in
16 amounts sufficient to cover a junior college district's revenue
17 loss from a tuition or fee exemption the district grants under
18 Subsection (a).

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.