

1-1 By: Gallegos S.B. No. 2308
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 13, 2009; March 31, 2009, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Education; April 15, 2009,
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1-6 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 2308 By: Gallegos

1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-8 AN ACT

1-9 relating to the use of discretionary funds raised by public school
1-10 campuses.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 44, Education Code, is
1-13 amended by adding Section 44.908 to read as follows:

1-14 Sec. 44.908. USE OF CAMPUS DISCRETIONARY FUNDS. (a) In
1-15 this section, "campus discretionary funds" means money raised at a
1-16 public school campus through vending machines or other sources
1-17 specifically associated with the campus.

1-18 (b) Campus discretionary funds may be used only to:

1-19 (1) directly benefit the general welfare and
1-20 educational development and morale of students enrolled at the
1-21 campus; or

1-22 (2) provide professional development for campus
1-23 educators, including teachers, administrators, counselors, and
1-24 librarians, that:

1-25 (A) deepens and broadens knowledge of content;

1-26 (B) provides a strong foundation in the pedagogy
1-27 of particular disciplines;

1-28 (C) provides knowledge about the teaching and
1-29 learning processes;

1-30 (D) is based on and reflects the best available
1-31 research;

1-32 (E) is aligned with the standards and curriculum
1-33 used in the school district;

1-34 (F) contributes to measurable improvement in
1-35 student achievement;

1-36 (G) deepens and broadens knowledge and
1-37 understanding of strategies needed to promote college and career
1-38 readiness; and

1-39 (H) provides opportunities to build proficiency
1-40 in data-driven decision-making.

1-41 (c) Subject to Subsection (b), the board of trustees of the
1-42 district has authority over the specific use of campus
1-43 discretionary funds.

1-44 SECTION 2. Section 44.908, Education Code, as added by this
1-45 Act, applies to any expenditure of campus discretionary funds that
1-46 occurs on or after the effective date of this Act, regardless of the
1-47 date on which the funds were raised.

1-48 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-49 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-50 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-51 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-52 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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