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S.B. No. 444

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to eliminating the set-aside of a portion of designated  
3 tuition for student financial assistance at public institutions of  
4 higher education.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 56, Education Code, is  
7 repealed.

8 SECTION 2. Section 56.465(a), Education Code, is amended to  
9 read as follows:

10 (a) The governing board of each institution of higher  
11 education shall cause to be set aside five percent of the amount of  
12 the tuition charged to a resident undergraduate student at the  
13 institution under Section 54.0513 in excess of \$46 per semester  
14 credit hour. ~~[The amount of a student's tuition set aside under  
15 this subsection is considered a part of the amount required to be  
16 set aside from that tuition under Section 56.011.]~~

17 SECTION 3. (a) The repeal of Subchapter B, Chapter 56,  
18 Education Code, by this Act applies beginning with tuition charged  
19 for the 2011 fall semester.

20 (b) The repeal of Subchapter B, Chapter 56, Education Code,  
21 by this Act does not affect the application of that subchapter to  
22 tuition set aside for purposes of that subchapter for any semester  
23 or other academic term before the 2011 fall semester, and the former  
24 law is continued in effect until the tuition set aside before the

1 2011 fall semester has been used as prescribed by that subchapter.

2           SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.