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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO.\_\_\_\_

1 Amend C.S.S.B. No. 215 (house committee printing) by adding 2 the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and 3 renumbering the remaining SECTIONS of the bill accordingly: SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Subchapter A, Chapter 54, Education Code, is 4 5 amended by adding Section 54.017 to read as follows: 6 Sec. 54.017. MAXIMUM TUITION RATE; STUDY. (a) In this 7 section: 8 (1) "Coordinating board" means the Texas Higher 9 Education Coordinating Board. 10 (2) "General academic teaching institution" has the meaning assigned by Section 61.003. 11 12 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter or 13 other law, not later than February 1 of each year, the coordinating 14 board, based on the most recent study conducted under Subsection (c), shall establish the maximum amount of tuition that a general 15 academic teaching institution may charge a student for the next 16 academic year. 17 18 (b-1) Subsection (b) does not apply to tuition charged for the 2013-2014 academic year. For the 2013-2014 academic year, the 19 maximum amount of tuition that a general academic teaching 20 institution may charge a student for that academic year is \$10,000. 21 22 This subsection expires September 1, 2014. 23 (c) The coordinating board shall conduct an annual study regarding the affordability of tuition rates at general academic 24 25 teaching institutions, including a comparison of rates at similar <u>institutions</u> in and outside of this state, the return on investment 26 based on expected salaries of graduates of the institution, and 27 other appropriate economic factors as determined by the 28 coordinating board. The coordinating board shall use the results 29

- 1 of its study in establishing the maximum amount of tuition for
- 2 purposes of Subsection (b).