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H.B. No. 861

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to increasing the maximum amount of the administrative fee
3 that may be charged for reclaiming a paging device confiscated by a
4 school district.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 37.082(b), Education Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 (b) The policy may provide for the district to:

9 (1) dispose of a confiscated paging device in any
10 reasonable manner after having provided the student's parent and
11 the company whose name and address or telephone number appear on the
12 device 30 days' prior notice of its intent to dispose of that
13 device. The notice shall include the serial number of the device
14 and may be made by telephone, telegraph, or in writing; and

15 (2) charge the owner of the device or the student's
16 parent a reasonable [an] administrative fee set by the board of
17 trustees not to exceed \$75 [~~\$15~~] before the district [~~it~~] releases
18 the device to the student, parent, or other owner.

19 SECTION 2. Section 37.082(b), Education Code, as amended by
20 this Act, applies to a paging device released to a student, parent,
21 or other owner on or after the effective date of this Act,
22 regardless of whether the paging device was confiscated by the
23 school district before, on, or after that date.

24 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.