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H.B. No. 2313

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to increasing the recreational sports fee at Texas State University System institutions.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 54.538(a) and (b), Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) If approved by student vote at a system institution, the Board of Regents, Texas State University System, may charge each student enrolled at such institution a recreational sports fee not to exceed \$200 [~~\$100~~] per semester or summer session of 10 weeks or longer or \$100 [~~\$50~~] per summer session of less than 10 weeks. The fee may be used to purchase equipment for and to construct, operate, and maintain recreational sports facilities and programs at the designated institution.

(b) The board may increase the recreation fee authorized by this section as it considers necessary to operate, maintain, improve, and equip recreational sports facilities. The recreation fee may not be increased more than 10 percent from one academic year to the next unless the increase has been approved by a majority vote of those students at the affected institution participating in a general student election called for that purpose. The fee may not exceed the amounts provided by Subsection (a).

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies beginning with fees imposed for the fall 2013 semester.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.