

AN ACT

relating to the use of real property by the University of Houston--Sugar Land.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the transfer of real property, on which the University of Houston--Sugar Land is now located, to the University of Houston System by the Texas Department of Transportation pursuant to Chapter 1243 (H.B. 1961), Acts of the 75th Legislature, Regular Session, 1997, was made in the public interest and continues to serve all public purposes of the state listed in Subsection (a), Section 1 of Chapter 1243.

SECTION 2. The legislature finds that:

(1) the public purpose requirements placed on the property transferred pursuant to Chapter 1243 are served if the property is used for higher education purposes that encompass more than strictly academic pursuits; and

(2) the language in Chapter 1243 that required the property to be used "only for higher education purposes" is misleading to the extent that it may be construed to imply that the property is reserved for strictly academic pursuits.

SECTION 3. To clarify the intent of the legislature and in accordance with the findings made by this Act, the ownership and transfer documents for the property shall be amended to state that the University of Houston--Sugar Land shall use the property "for

1 higher education purposes" consistent with the purposes of the
2 university.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1165 passed the Senate on
April 11, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1165 passed the House on
April 25, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 136, Nays 0, two
present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor