

Amend CSHB 100 (senate committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill appropriately:

SECTION _____. Subchapter B, Chapter 55, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 55.26 to read as follows:

Sec. 55.26. CERTAIN BONDS CONTINGENT ON TEMPORARY LIMITATIONS ON TUITION INCREASES. (a) In this section, "tuition" includes:

(1) tuition for which the rates are prescribed by Chapter 54; and

(2) tuition charged by an institution of higher education under Section 54.0513 or another law authorizing an institution of higher education to establish tuition rates.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter or other law, if the governing board of an institution of higher education is authorized to issue revenue bonds for a capital project at the institution under Section 55.1781, 55.1782, 55.1783, 55.1784, 55.1785, 55.1786, 55.1787, 55.1788, 55.1789, 55.17891, or 55.17892, the total amount of tuition charged by the institution to a student for the 2016-2017 or 2017-2018 academic year may not exceed by more than one percent the total amount of tuition that the governing board would have charged to a similarly situated student of the institution for the preceding academic year, as that amount is adjusted for each academic year for inflation according to the inflation rate determined under Subsection (d), except that the total amount of tuition charged to a student may increase based on a change in the student's residency status, degree program, course load, course level, tuition exemption status, or other circumstance affecting the tuition charged to the student.

(c) For purposes of this section, students are similarly situated if they share the same residency status, degree program, course load, course level, tuition exemption status, and other circumstances affecting the tuition charged to the student.

(d) Not later than January 31 of each year, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the Legislative Budget Board shall publish the inflation rate to be used for purposes of this section for the next academic year and certify that rate to the governing

board of each institution of higher education for which bonds may be issued under a statute listed in Subsection (b). The inflation rate is the percentage increase, if any, as expressed in decimal form rounded to the nearest thousandth of one percent, in the consumer price index, as defined by Section 341.201, Finance Code, for the preceding calendar year as compared to the consumer price index for the year preceding that year.

(e) This section expires September 1, 2018.