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H.B. No. 1517

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the imposition of the student centers fee at Texas  
3 Woman's University.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 54.525, Education Code, is amended by  
6 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d) to read as  
7 follows:

8 (a) The board of regents of Texas Woman's University may  
9 levy a regular, fixed student fee of not less than \$25 or more than  
10 \$75 [~~\$40~~] per student for each semester of the long session and of  
11 not less than \$12.50 or more than \$35 [~~\$20~~] per student for each  
12 term of the summer session, as the board determines is just and  
13 necessary for the purpose of financing, improving, operating,  
14 maintaining, and equipping student centers and acquiring or  
15 constructing additions to student centers.

16 (d) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), the board may increase  
17 the amount of the fee for a semester or summer session to an amount  
18 that does not exceed \$150 if the increase is approved by a majority  
19 vote of those students participating in a general election called  
20 for that purpose. The increased amount under this subsection may  
21 not be charged after the fifth academic year in which the increased  
22 amount is first charged unless, before the end of that academic  
23 year, the institution has issued bonds payable from the fee, in  
24 which event the increased amount may not be charged after the

1 academic year in which all such bonds, including refunding bonds  
2 for those bonds, have been fully paid.

3 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
4 to fees imposed for a semester or term that begins on or after the  
5 effective date of this Act.

6 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
10 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.