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S.B. No. 1438

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to funding sources for the repayment of certain speech-language pathologist and audiologist education loans.

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

SECTION 1. Section 61.9818, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 61.9818. PROGRAM FUNDING. The program may be funded ~~[solely]~~ from:

(1) gifts, grants, and donations solicited and accepted by the board for the purposes of this subchapter; and

(2) fees collected under Chapter 401, Occupations Code, in excess of the money required to pay the expenses for the administration of that chapter.

SECTION 2. Section 401.204, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) Any money from fees collected by the board under this chapter that remains after payment of the expenses for the administration of this chapter may be used to fund the loan repayment program established under Subchapter II, Chapter 61, Education Code, as added by Chapter 133 (S.B. 620), Acts of the 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.