(In the Senate - Received from the House April 29, 2019; April 29, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Higher Education; May 10, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 10, 2019, sent to printer.) 1-1 1**-**2 1**-**3 1-4 1-5

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Creighton	X			
1-9	West	X			
1-10	Bettencourt	X			
1-11	Buckingham			X	
1-12	Flores	X			
1-13	Menéndez	X			
1-14	Powell	X			
1-15	Taylor	X			
1-16	Watson	X			

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

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1-56 1-57 relating to the intercollegiate athletics fee at Texas A&M University--San Antonio; authorizing a fee.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, amended by adding Section 54.53971 to read as follows:

Sec. 54.53971. INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS FEES; TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY--SAN ANTONIO. (a) The board of regents of The Texas A&M University System may impose on each student enrolled at Texas A&M University-San Antonio an intercollegiate athletics fee in an amount not to exceed \$10 per semester credit hour for each regular semester or summer session unless the amount of the fee is increased as provided by Subsection (c).

(b) The fee may not be imposed unless approved by a majority vote of the students of the university who participate in a general student election held for that purpose.

(c) The amount of the fee per semester credit hour may be

increased from one academic year to the next only if approved by a majority vote of the students participating in a general student election held for that purpose or, if the amount of the increase does not exceed five percent, by a majority vote of the legislative body of the student government of the university.

(d) A student enrolled in more than 12 semester credit hours shall pay the fee in an amount equal to the amount imposed on a student enrolled in 12 semester credit hours during the same semester or session.

(e) A fee imposed under this section may be used to develop maintain an intercollegiate athletics program at the university.

(f) A fee imposed under this section is in addition to any other fee authorized by law and may not be considered in determining the amount of student services fees that may be imposed under Section 54.503.
SECTION 2.

This Act applies beginning with the 2019 fall semester

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 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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