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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to providing information to undergraduate students regarding a fixed tuition rate provided by general academic teaching institutions.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 54.016, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d)  A general academic teaching institution that offers a fixed tuition rate program under this section shall provide information explaining the effect of the program on the calculation of a student's cost per credit hour, including the institution's current fixed tuition rate, and clearly describing the amount of tuition a student would pay for varying course loads covered by the program:

(1)  to each transferring undergraduate student, at the time the student is offered the opportunity to participate in the institution's fixed tuition rate program;

(2)  for a student enrolled in the institution's fixed tuition rate program, in materials or correspondence provided to the student each time the student registers for a semester or other term and in each tuition billing statement;

(3)  on the institution's Internet website; and

(4)  in any financial aid information provided to students.

SECTION 2.  Section 54.017, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

(h)  An institution to which this section applies shall provide information explaining the effect of the fixed tuition price plan on the calculation of a student's cost per credit hour, including the institution's current fixed tuition rate, and clearly describing the amount of tuition a student would pay for varying course loads covered by the plan:

(1)  to each entering undergraduate student, at the time the student is offered the opportunity to participate in the institution's fixed tuition price plan;

(2)  for a student enrolled in the institution's fixed tuition price plan, in materials or correspondence provided to the student each time the student registers for a semester or other term and in each tuition billing statement;

(3)  on the institution's Internet website; and

(4)  in any financial aid information provided to students.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.