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S.B. No. 753

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a limitation on the amount of a fee charged by a public
3 institution of higher education for late payment of student housing
4 costs.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 54.5042 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 54.5042. LIMITATION ON AMOUNT OF FEE FOR LATE PAYMENT
9 OF STUDENT HOUSING COSTS. The governing board of an institution of
10 higher education may not charge a student a fee for late payment of
11 student housing costs incurred by the student for a semester or term
12 in an amount greater than five percent of the total student housing
13 costs incurred by the student for that semester or term.

14 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with fees for late
15 payment of student housing costs charged for the 2021 fall
16 semester.

17 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.