AN ACT

relating to the operation of certain institutions of higher
education as general academic teaching institutions and to the
statutory limitation imposed on certain university systems to issue
revenue bonds to fund facilities at certain institutions of higher
education.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (d), Section 87.841, Education Code,
is amended to read as follows:

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter,
Texas A&M University--San Antonio may not operate as a general
academic teaching institution until the Texas Higher Education
Coordinating Board certifies that enrollment at the Texas A&M
University--Kingsville System Center--San Antonio has reached an
enrollment equivalent of[+]

[41] 1,000 full-time students for one semester [if
the legislature authorizes revenue bonds to be issued to finance
educational and related facilities for the institution, and the
bonds are issued for that purpose; or

[42] 2,500 full-time students for one semester if the
conditions specified by Subdivision (1) are not satisfied].

SECTION 2. Subsection (d), Section 105.501, Education Code,
is amended to read as follows:

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter,
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the University of North Texas at Dallas may operate as a general
academic teaching institution with its own chief executive officer,
administration, and faculty only after the Texas Higher Education
Coordinating Board certifies that enrollment at the University of
North Texas System Center at Dallas has reached an enrollment
equivalent to 1,000 full-time students for one semester. Until
that enrollment level is reached, the board may operate a system
center of the University of North Texas in the city of Dallas.

[Prior to reaching 2,500 full-time equivalent students, the
University of North Texas at Dallas may not receive general revenue
in excess of the 2003 expended amount with the exception of funding
provided through the General Academic Instruction and Operation
Formula for semester credit hour increases and the Tuition Revenue
Bond debt service for bonds approved in the 78th Legislature. The
institution will not be eligible to receive the small school
supplement in the General Academic Instruction and Operation
Formula until it reaches 2,500 full-time equivalent student
enrollment.]

SECTION 3. The following statutes are repealed:

(1) Subsections (d) and (e), Section 55.1751, 
Education Code; and

(2) Subsection (d), Section 55.1755, Education Code.

SECTION 4. This Act does not make an appropriation. This
Act takes effect only if a specific appropriation for the
implementation of the Act is provided in a general appropriations
act of the 81st Legislature.

SECTION 5. Except as otherwise provided by this Act, 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, 2009, except as otherwise provided by this Act.

David Dewhurst
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 629 passed the Senate on April 20, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Sidney Smyer
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 629 passed the House on May 13, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, one present not voting.

Robert Heinen
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

Rick Perry
Governor

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Secretary of State