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AN ACT

relating to a recreational sports fee at Stephen F. Austin State University.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 54.5201 to read as follows:

Sec. 54.5201. RECREATIONAL SPORTS FEE; STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY. (a) The board of regents of Stephen F. Austin State University may charge each student enrolled at the university a recreational sports fee not to exceed \$120 per semester or summer session of longer than six weeks or \$60 per summer session of six weeks or less. The fee may be used to purchase equipment for and to construct, operate, and maintain recreational sports facilities and programs.

(b) The recreation fee authorized by this section may not be increased more than 10 percent from one academic year to the next unless the increase has been approved by a majority vote of those students participating in a general student election called for that purpose. The fee may not exceed the amounts provided by Subsection (a).

(c) The chief fiscal officer of the university shall collect any student recreational sports fee imposed under this section and shall deposit the money collected in an account to be known as the student recreational sports account.

1 (d) A student recreational sports fee imposed under this
2 section is not counted in determining the maximum student services
3 fee that may be charged under Section 54.503.

4 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
5 to fees imposed for a semester or term that begins on or after the
6 effective date of this Act.

7 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
8 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
9 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
10 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
11 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

David Dewhurst

President of the Senate

Jim Credik

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 598 was passed by the House on April 7, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Robert Haney
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 598 was passed by the Senate on May 24, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Patsy Spaw
Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 17 JUNE '05

Date

RICK PERRY

Governor

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