

Chapter 659

H.B. No. 2921

AN ACT

relating to authorizing a recreation and wellness facility fee at the University of Houston-Clear Lake.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 54, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 54.5401 to read as follows:

Sec. 54.5401. RECREATION AND WELLNESS FACILITY FEE; UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON-CLEAR LAKE. (a) The board of regents of the University of Houston System may charge each student enrolled at the University of Houston-Clear Lake a recreation and wellness facility fee. The fee may be used only for the purpose of financing, constructing, operating, maintaining, improving, and equipping a recreation and wellness facility and for operating recreation and wellness programs at the University of Houston-Clear Lake.

(b) The recreation and wellness facility fee may not be charged unless the charging of the fee is approved by a majority vote of the students enrolled at the university participating in a general student election held for that purpose.

(c) The amount of a fee charged under this section may not exceed:

(1) \$150 per student for each regular semester;

(2) \$75 per student for each summer session of eight weeks or longer; or

(3) \$50 per student for each term of the summer session

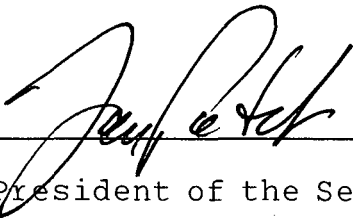
1 of less than eight weeks.

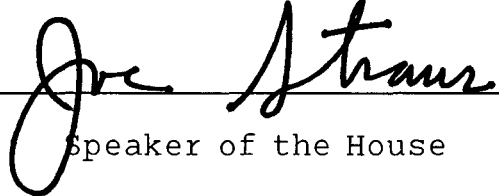
2 (d) Revenue from a fee charged under this section shall be  
3 deposited to the credit of an account known as the University of  
4 Houston-Clear Lake Recreation and Wellness Facility Fee Account.

5 (e) The board of regents may increase the amount of a fee  
6 charged under this section, except that the board may not increase  
7 the amount of the fee to an amount that exceeds by more than 10  
8 percent the amount of the fee charged during the preceding academic  
9 year unless the amount of the increase is approved by a majority  
10 vote of students enrolled at the university participating in a  
11 general student election held for that purpose.

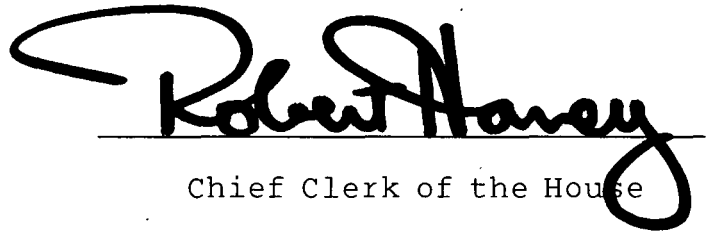
12 (f) The recreation and wellness facility fee is not  
13 considered in determining the maximum amount of student services  
14 fees that may be charged under Section 54.503.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
19 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

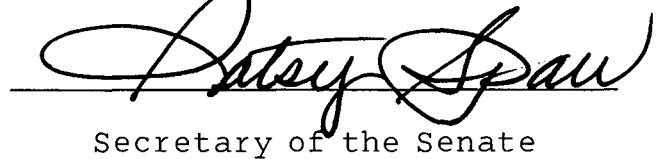
  
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President of the Senate

  
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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2921 was passed by the House on April 30, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 5, 1 present, not voting.

  
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Chief Clerk of the House

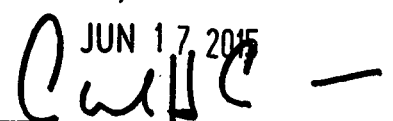
I certify that H.B. No. 2921 was passed by the Senate on May 25, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 27, Nays 4.

  
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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 14, 2015**

**TO:** Honorable Kel Seliger, Chair, Senate Committee on Higher Education

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2921** by Paul (Relating to authorizing a recreation and wellness facility fee at the University of Houston-Clear Lake.), **As Engrossed**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Education Code relating to authorizing a recreation and wellness fee at the University of Houston - Clear Lake. According to the University of Houston System, the fee is not anticipated to be assessed until fiscal year 2017. The estimate assumes revenues of \$2.3 million in fiscal years 2017 and 2018 and \$2.4 million in fiscal years 2019 and 2020.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 783 University of Houston System Administration

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**FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 24, 2015**

**TO:** Honorable John Zerwas, Chair, House Committee on Higher Education

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB2921** by Paul (Relating to authorizing a recreation and wellness facility fee at the University of Houston-Clear Lake.), **As Introduced**

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