

1-1 By: Rodríguez S.B. No. 1205  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 10, 2015; March 17, 2015, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Higher Education;  
 1-4 April 20, 2015, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 2; April 20, 2015,  
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8 Seliger	X			
1-9 West	X			
1-10 Bettencourt	X			
1-11 Burton		X		
1-12 Menéndez	X			
1-13 Perry		X		
1-14 Watson	X			

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1205 By: West

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to an environmental service fee charged by an institution  
 1-20 of higher education.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 54.5041(h), Education Code, is amended  
 1-23 to read as follows:

1-24 (h) The fee may not be charged after the fifth academic year  
 1-25 in which the fee is first charged unless:

1-26 (1) ~~[, before the end of that academic year,~~ the  
 1-27 institution has issued bonds payable in whole or in part from the  
 1-28 fee, in which event the fee may not be charged after the academic  
 1-29 year in which all such bonds, including refunding bonds for those  
 1-30 bonds, have been fully paid; or

1-31 (2) the continuation of the fee is approved every five  
 1-32 years by a majority vote of the students enrolled at the institution  
 1-33 who participate in a general student election called for that  
 1-34 purpose.

1-35 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-36 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-37 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-38 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 1-39 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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