

CHAPTER 346

H.B. No. 629

AN ACT

relating to the establishment of a student union fee at The University of Texas at El Paso.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Chapter 69, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 69.03 to read as follows:

*Sec. 69.03. STUDENT UNION FEE. (a) The board may levy a student union fee not to exceed \$30 per student for each regular semester and not to exceed \$15 per student for each term of the summer session, for the sole purpose of financing, constructing, operating, maintaining, and improving a student union building; provided, however, that the fee may not be increased above \$15 per student for each*

*regular semester and \$7.50 per student for each term of the summer session unless the increase is approved by a majority vote of those students participating in a general election. The fees herein authorized to be levied are in addition to any use or service fee now or hereafter authorized to be levied.*

*(b) Such fees shall be deposited to an account known as The University of Texas at El Paso student union fee account and shall be placed under the control of and subject to the order of the Student Union Advisory Committee. The committee shall annually submit to the board of regents a complete and itemized budget to be accompanied by a full and complete report of all activities conducted during the past year and all expenditures made incident thereto. The board of regents shall make such changes in the budget as it deems necessary before approving the budget, and shall then levy the fees, within the limits herein fixed, in such amounts as will be sufficient to meet the budgetary needs of the student union building.*

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 15, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate on May 29, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 11, 1987.

Effective Aug. 31, 1987, 90 days after date of adjournment.