By: Naishtat H.B. No. 3670

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3670:

By: Zerwas C.S.H.B. No. 3670

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to an environmental service fee charged by an institution
- 3 of higher education.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 54.5041(h), Education Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (h) The fee may not be charged after the fifth academic year
- 8 in which the fee is first charged unless:
- 9 (1) [, before the end of that academic year,] the
- 10 institution has issued bonds payable in whole or in part from the
- 11 fee, in which event the fee may not be charged after the academic
- 12 year in which all such bonds, including refunding bonds for those
- 13 bonds, have been fully paid; or
- 14 (2) the continuation of the fee is approved every five
- 15 years by a majority vote of the students enrolled at the institution
- 16 who participate in a general student election called for that
- 17 <u>purpose</u>.
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 22 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.