

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, established a pilot program that reduced summer tuition rates to three-quarters of the regular rate in 2006 or 2007 for resident undergraduate students at Texas A&M University. This was done as an incentive for students to take summer courses in order to facilitate a timely graduation and to maximize the use of instructional facilities that tend to be underused during the summer.

H.B. 1330 extends the pilot program to authorize students to receive reduced tuition for one term of the summer session in 2008.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 54.0516(a), (b), (d), and (e), Education Code, as follows:

- (a) Makes a nonsubstantive change.
- (b) Authorizes a student to whom this section (Special Summer Tuition Rates at Texas A&M University: Pilot Program) applies to receive a reduction in tuition under this section for not more than one term of the summer session of not more than six weeks.
- (d) Provides that this section applies only if the legislature specifically appropriates money to Texas A&M University for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2009, rather than 2007, to cover the tuition revenue lost to the institution by the application of this section.
- (e) Provides that this section applies only to a term of the summer session in 2008, rather than 2006 or 2007, and that it expires January 1, 2009, rather than 2008.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2007.