

BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center

S.B. 1033
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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

S.B. 1033 seeks to authorize Texas Tech University (TTU) conveyance of certain real property to Texas Tech University Health Science Center (TTUHSC).

TTUHSC and the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) have had a medical affiliation agreement since October 2005. The VA and TTUHSC have been in discussions for the construction of a community-based outpatient clinic in Lubbock, Texas. In 2016, the VA approved a tract of land owned by TTU as a site for the new clinic. In order to complete the project, TTUHSC must acquire the land from TTU to then, in turn, offer the VA a ground lease for the new clinic. The sale of TTU land requires legislative approval.

Section 109.054, Education Code, requires that the board of regents may not sell any of the original main campus of Texas Tech University located in Lubbock, Lubbock County, unless the sale is approved by an act of the legislature. (Original Author's / Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

S.B. 1033 amends current law relating to authorization for the conveyance of certain real property from Texas Tech University to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

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 Subchapter B, Chapter 109, Education Code, by adding Section 109.0541, as follows:

Sec. 109.0541. **AUTHORIZATION FOR CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY REAL PROPERTY TO TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER.** Authorizes the board of regents to execute a conveyance of real property that is part of the original main campus of Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Lubbock County, to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center under terms and conditions that the board determines are in the best interest of both institutions, notwithstanding Section 109.054 (Management of Lands). Requires that the transaction be in the form of an agreement and appropriate conveyancing documents between the two institutions.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2017.