

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2666

By COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 31 and insert:

2 **“SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, ‘mandatory student-initiated fee’ means a fee**
3 **that:**

4 **“(a) Is initiated by the recognized student government of the community college;**

5 **“(b) Students are required to pay in addition to tuition fees;**

6 **“(c) Is collected by the board of the community college; and**

7 **“(d) Is allocated by the recognized student government of the community college.**

8 **“(2) The board for each community college shall collect mandatory student-initiated fees**
9 **upon the request of the recognized student government of the community college to the**
10 **president of the community college under a process established by the recognized student**
11 **government in consultation with the board. Mandatory student-initiated fees collected under**
12 **this section must be allocated by the recognized student government.**

13 **“(3) If the recognized student government makes a request under subsection (2) of this**
14 **section for a new or increased mandatory student-initiated fee, the board may require a**
15 **campus referendum in which the student body votes on whether to approve the fee. If a**
16 **mandatory student-initiated fee is rejected by the student body in a referendum held under**
17 **this subsection, the recognized student government may not request another mandatory**
18 **student-initiated fee for the remainder of the academic year.**

19 **“(4) A request for a mandatory student-initiated fee, use of the fee or decision to modify**
20 **an existing fee may be refused by the president if the president determines that:**

21 **“(a) The recognized student government assessed or allocated the mandatory student-**
22 **initiated fee in violation of applicable local, state or federal law;**

23 **“(b) The allocation conflicts with a preexisting contractual financial commitment;**

24 **“(c) The total mandatory student-initiated fees budget would increase by a percentage**
25 **that is greater than the percentage increase in tuition and other fees approved by the board**
26 **for the upcoming academic year; or**

27 **“(d) The fee request is not advantageous to the cultural or physical development of stu-**
28 **dents.**

29 **“(5) The recognized student government and the president shall seek to reach agreement**
30 **on any dispute involving mandatory student-initiated fees, if necessary with the aid of a**
31 **process established by the board, prior to a decision by the president.**

32 **“(6) If an agreement is not reached, the decision of the president may be appealed to the**
33 **board, which will render a final decision prior to the adoption, use or modification of a**
34 **mandatory student-initiated fee.”.**

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