

this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2001.

Passed the Senate on May 10, 2001: Yeas 29, Nays 0, one present, not voting; passed the House on May 23, 2001: Yeas 145, Nays 0, two present, not voting.

Approved June 13, 2001.

Effective June 13, 2001.

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## CHAPTER 773

S.B. No. 1814

### AN ACT

relating to the tuition for law school and graduate and professional pharmacy courses at public institutions of higher education.

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

SECTION 1. Section 54.008, Education Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a) and (f) and adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

(a) The tuition rates provided by Subchapter B of this chapter are minimum rates. Except as provided by *Subsections* ~~Subsection~~ (e), (f), and (g), the governing board of each institution of higher education shall set tuition for graduate programs for that institution at a rate that is at least equal to that prescribed by Subchapter B ~~of this chapter~~, but that is not more than twice the rate prescribed by Subchapter B ~~of this chapter~~. Between the maximum and minimum rates, the board may set the differential tuition among programs offered by an institution of higher education.

(f) The governing board of an institution of higher education shall set tuition for an undergraduate pharmacy program at the institution at a rate that is at least equal to the rate prescribed by Subchapter B ~~of this chapter~~ but not more than twice the rate prescribed by Subchapter B ~~of this chapter~~. *The governing board of an institution of higher education shall set tuition for a graduate or professional pharmacy program at the institution at a rate that is at least equal to the rate prescribed by Subchapter B but not more than three times the rate prescribed by Subchapter B.*

(g) *The governing board of an institution of higher education shall set tuition for a law school at the institution at a rate that is at least equal to the rate prescribed by Subchapter B but not more than three times the rate prescribed by Subchapter B.*

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2001.

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