BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the University of Texas–Pan American is restricted to acquire only land that is contiguous or adjacent to the main campus. Residential and commercial real estate speculation is driving the real estate prices of adjacent and surrounding land tracts higher, resulting in high land acquisition costs. S.B. 989 would remove the contiguous or adjacent land purchase restriction application to the University of Texas–Pan American.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 989 removes the contiguous or adjacent land purchase restriction application to the University of Texas–Pan American.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 77.15(a), Education Code, to delete the provision requiring the University of Texas—Pan American to purchase only land that is contiguous or adjacent to the main campus of the university in Edinburg, Texas.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.