

By Senator Sebesta

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the University of South  
3           Florida St. Petersburg; amending s. 1004.33,  
4           F.S.; authorizing the Campus Board of the  
5           university to forward a proposal to levy a  
6           student-center-support fee to the University of  
7           South Florida Board of Trustees for approval;  
8           providing a standard for the maximum amount of  
9           the fee; providing procedures; prohibiting the  
10          inclusion of the fee in calculating the amount  
11          a student receives under specified scholarship  
12          awards; providing an effective date.

14 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

16           Section 1. Subsection (6) is added to section 1004.33,  
17 Florida Statutes, to read:

18           1004.33 The University of South Florida St.  
19 Petersburg.--

20           (6) Pursuant to the legislative mandate set forth in  
21 this section to establish the St. Petersburg Campus of the  
22 University of South Florida as a separately accredited,  
23 residential campus in the University of South Florida System,  
24 the Campus Board of the University of South Florida St.  
25 Petersburg may forward a proposal to levy a  
26 student-center-support fee to the University of South Florida  
27 Board of Trustees for approval. The aggregate amount of such  
28 fees which is collected in a single fiscal year may not exceed  
29 the amount necessary in that fiscal year to retire bonds or  
30 other forms of indebtedness issued or procured for the purpose  
31 of planning, constructing, equipping, and operating the

1 student center facility. The fee must be recommended by a  
2 committee, at least half of whom are students appointed by the  
3 president of the student body. The Campus Board shall appoint  
4 the remainder of the committee. A chairperson, appointed  
5 jointly by the Campus Board and the president of the student  
6 body, shall vote only in the event of a tie. The  
7 recommendations of the committee shall take effect only after  
8 approval by the university president, after consultation with  
9 the president of the student body and final approval by the  
10 University of South Florida Board of Trustees. The fee shall  
11 not be included in calculating the amount a student receives  
12 for a Florida Academic Scholars award, a Florida Medallion  
13 Scholars award, or a Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars  
14 award.

15 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.

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18 SENATE SUMMARY

19 Authorizes the Campus Board of the University of South  
20 Florida St. Petersburg to forward a proposal to levy a  
21 student-center-support fee to the University of South  
22 Florida Board of Trustees for approval. Provides that the  
23 maximum amount of the fee which is collected in a fiscal  
24 year may not exceed the amount necessary in that fiscal  
25 year to retire instruments of indebtedness issued for the  
26 purpose of planning, constructing, equipping, and  
27 operating the student center facility. Provides  
28 procedures. Prohibits the inclusion of the fee in  
29 calculating the amount a student receives under specified  
30 scholarship awards.  
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