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An act relating to the University of South Florida St. Petersburg; amending s. 1004.33, F.S.; authorizing the Campus Board of the university to forward a proposal to levy a student-center-support fee to the University of South Florida Board of Trustees for approval; providing a standard for the maximum amount of fees collected; providing procedures; prohibiting the inclusion of the fee in calculating the amount a student receives under specified scholarship awards; providing an effective date.

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

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

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

(6) Pursuant to the legislative mandate set forth in this

section to establish the St. Petersburg campus of the University of South Florida as a separately accredited, residential campus in the University of South Florida system, the Campus Board of the University of South Florida St. Petersburg may forward a

of South Florida Board of Trustees for approval. The aggregate amount of such fees which is collected in a single fiscal year

proposal to levy a student-center-support fee to the University

may not exceed the amount necessary in that fiscal year to

retire bonds or other forms of indebtedness issued or procured for the purpose of planning, constructing, equipping, and

operating the student center facility. The fee must be

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recommended by a committee at least half of whom are students
appointed by the president of the student body. The Campus Board
shall appoint the remainder of the committee. A chairperson,
appointed jointly by the Campus Board and the president of the
student body, shall vote only in the event of a tie. The
recommendations of the committee shall take effect only after
approval by the university president after consultation with the
president of the student body and final approval by the
University of South Florida Board of Trustees. The fee shall not
be included in calculating the amount a student receives for a
Florida Academic Scholars award, a Florida Medallion Scholars
award, or a Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars award.
Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.