

By Senator Flores

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to state university student fees;
3 amending s. 1009.24, F.S.; prohibiting the sum of the
4 Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee and the building
5 fee from exceeding 10 percent of the tuition for
6 resident students or 10 percent of the sum of tuition
7 and out-of-state fees for nonresident students;
8 authorizing the use of the Capital Improvement Trust
9 Fund fee for certain projects or real property
10 acquisitions; requiring that the Division of Bond
11 Finance of the State Board of Administration analyze
12 any proposed fee reductions to the Capital Improvement
13 Trust Fund fee; requiring that the Board of Governors
14 approve any proposed fee reductions; requiring that
15 each university board of trustees establish a separate
16 Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee and building fee at
17 the main campus of the university; authorizing the
18 university board to establish a separate Capital
19 Improvement Trust Fund fee and building fee at any
20 branch campus or center; requiring that a fee
21 committee recommend any increase in the fees;
22 requiring that the fee committee be composed of
23 students and members appointed by the university
24 president; requiring that the university president
25 approve committee recommendations; providing that any
26 increase in fees may occur only once each fiscal year;
27 requiring that the Board of Governors adopt
28 regulations and timetables to implement the fees;
29 reenacting s. 1011.48(5), F.S., relating to the

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30 establishment of educational research centers for
31 child development, to incorporate the amendment made
32 to s. 1009.24(8), F.S., in a reference thereto;
33 providing an effective date.

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

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37 Section 1. Subsection (8) of section 1009.24, Florida
38 Statutes, is amended to read:

39 1009.24 State university student fees.—

40 (8) (a) The Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee is
41 established as \$2.44 per credit hour per semester. The building
42 fee is established as \$2.32 per credit hour per semester.

43 (b) The sum of the fees may not exceed 10 percent of the
44 tuition for resident students or 10 percent of the sum of
45 tuition and out-of-state fees for nonresident students. The
46 Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee may be used to fund any
47 project or real property acquisition that meets the requirements
48 of chapter 1013. The Division of Bond Finance of the State Board
49 of Administration shall analyze any proposed reductions to the
50 Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee to ensure consistency with
51 prudent financial management of the bond program associated with
52 the revenues from the fee. The Board of Governors shall approve
53 any proposed fee reductions.

54 (c) Each university board of trustees shall establish a
55 separate Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee and building fee at
56 the main campus of the university. The university board may also
57 establish a separate Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee and
58 building fee at any branch campus or center. Any subsequent

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59 increase in the fees must be recommended by a Capital
60 Improvement Trust Fund and building fee committee, at least one-
61 half of whom are students appointed by the student body
62 president. The remainder of the committee shall be appointed by
63 the university president. A chairperson, appointed jointly by
64 the university president and the student body president, shall
65 vote only in the case of a tie. The recommendations of the
66 committee shall take effect only after approval by the
67 university president, after consultation with the student body
68 president, with final approval by the university board of
69 trustees. An increase in the fees may occur only once each
70 fiscal year and must be implemented beginning with the fall
71 term. The Board of Governors shall adopt regulations and
72 timetables to implement the fees.

73 Section 2. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
74 made by this act to section 1009.24(8), Florida Statutes, in a
75 reference thereto, subsection (5) of section 1011.48, Florida
76 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

77 1011.48 Establishment of educational research centers for
78 child development.—

79 (5) Each educational research center for child development
80 shall be funded by a portion of the Capital Improvement Trust
81 Fund fee established by the Board of Governors pursuant to s.
82 1009.24(8). Each university that establishes a center shall
83 receive a portion of such fees collected from the students
84 enrolled at that university, usable only at that university,
85 equal to 22.5 cents per student per credit hour taken per term,
86 based on the summer term and fall and spring semesters. This
87 allocation shall be used by the university only for the

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88 establishment and operation of a center as provided by this
89 section and rules adopted hereunder. Said allocation may be made
90 only after all bond obligations required to be paid from such
91 fees have been met.

92 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.