accounted for in a manner recommended by the National Association of College and University Business Officers and approved by the comptroller of public accounts and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

(c) Each of the following shall be accounted for as educational and general funds:

(1) net tuition, special course fees charged under Sections 54.051(e) and (l), lab fees, student teaching fees, organized activity fees, and proceeds from the sale of educational and general equipment; and

(2) hospital and clinic fees received by a state-owned clinical care facility that is operated using general revenue fund appropriations for patient care.

Added by Acts 1987, 70th Leg., ch. 901, Sec. 36, eff. Aug. 31, 1987. Amended by Acts 1991, 72nd Leg., ch. 481, Sec. 5, eff. June 8, 1991. Amended by:

Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 1181, Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2005.

Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 1324, Sec. 1, eff. June 15, 2007.

SUBCHAPTER C. FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Sec. 51.101. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:

(1) "Institution of higher education" has the meaning assigned to it in Section 61.003 of this code, except that Texas State Technical College System is included and the Rodent and Predatory Animal Control Service is excluded for the purposes of this subchapter.

(2) "Governing board" means the body charged with policy direction of an institution of higher education.

(3) "Faculty member" means a person who is employed by an institution of higher education on a full-time basis as a member of the faculty or staff and whose duties include teaching, research, administration, including professional librarians, or the performance of professional services. However, the term does not include a person employed in a position which is in the
institution's classified personnel system or a person employed in a similar type of position if the institution does not have a classified personnel system.


Sec. 51.102. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND PURPOSE. The legislature finds that higher education is vitally important to the welfare, if not the survival, of Texas and the United States at this stage in history and that the quality of higher education is dependent upon the quality of college and university faculties. The legislature finds, therefore, that money spent on recognized means for producing an excellent system of public higher education is money spent to serve a public purpose of great importance. The legislature finds further that a sound program of faculty development leaves of absence designed to enable the faculty member to engage in study, research, writing, and similar projects for the purpose of adding to the knowledge available to himself, his students, his institution, and society generally is a well-recognized means for improving a state's program of public higher education. The legislature's purpose in establishing the faculty development leave program provided for by this subchapter is to improve further the higher education available to the youth at the state-supported colleges and universities and to establish this program of faculty development leaves as part of the plan of compensation for the faculty of these colleges and universities.


Sec. 51.103. GRANTING LEAVES OF ABSENCE; PROCEDURES. (a) On the application of a faculty member, the governing board of an institution of higher education may grant a faculty development leave of absence for study, research, writing, field observations, or other suitable purpose, to a faculty member if it finds that he is eligible by reason of service, that the purpose for which he seeks a faculty development leave is one for which a faculty