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**Senate Committee on Higher Education**

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**SB 528**

Madam Chair and members, thank you for putting SB 528 on this early calendar. The bill simply removes a statutory requirement that the University of Houston System Board of Regents meet every April. Only one other board, the Stephen F. Austin University board, has such a requirement. Because of this restriction, we have found it necessary to have unnecessary or redundant meetings. We have found that the budget cycle typically dictates a meeting in May.

In researching the history of this statute, we have been unable to discern a reason for the requirement.

Again, I thank you.