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H.B. No. 662

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the administration of the homeless housing and services
3 program by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Sections 2306.2585(a) and (b), Government Code,
6 are amended to read as follows:

7 (a) The department may administer a homeless housing and
8 services program in each municipality in this state with a
9 population of 285,500 or more to:

10 (1) provide for the construction, development, or
11 procurement of housing for homeless persons; and

12 (2) provide local programs to prevent and eliminate
13 homelessness, including programs to prevent homelessness resulting
14 from displacement due to economic development activities.

15 (b) The department may adopt rules to govern the
16 administration of the program, including rules that:

17 (1) provide that each municipality described by
18 Subsection (a) receives an [for the] allocation of any available
19 funding; and

20 (2) provide detailed guidelines as to the scope of the
21 local programs in the municipalities described by Subsection (a).

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.