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H.B. No. 3762

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the closing of beaches for space flight activities in
3 certain counties.

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

5 SECTION 1. Sections 61.132(d) and (f), Natural Resources
6 Code, are amended to read as follows:

7 (d) The commissioners court may not close a beach or access
8 points to the beach:

9 (1) for a period of more than three calendar days; or

10 (2) on a primary launch date consisting of any of the
11 following days without the approval of the land office:

12 (A) [~~(1)~~] the Saturday or Sunday preceding
13 Memorial Day;

14 (B) [~~(2)~~] Memorial Day;

15 (C) [~~(3)~~] July 4;

16 (D) [~~(4)~~] Labor Day; or

17 (E) [~~(5)~~] a Saturday or Sunday that is after
18 Memorial Day but before Labor Day.

19 (f) The land office may:

20 (1) approve or deny a beach or access point closure
21 request under Subsection (d)(2) [~~(1)~~];

22 (2) enter into a memorandum of agreement with the
23 commissioners court of a county to which this section applies to
24 govern beach and access point closures made under this section; and

1 (3) adopt rules to govern beach and access point
2 closures made under this section.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
7 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.