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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the sunset review process and certain governmental  
3 entities subject to that process.

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

5 ARTICLE 1. ENTITIES GIVEN 2025 SUNSET DATE

6 SECTION 1.01. TEXAS CIVIL COMMITMENT OFFICE. Section  
7 [420A.004](#), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 Sec. 420A.004. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Civil  
9 Commitment Office is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act).  
10 Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the  
11 office is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2025  
12 [~~2027~~].

13 ARTICLE 2. ENTITIES GIVEN 2029 SUNSET DATE

14 SECTION 2.01. TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY. Section [7.004](#)(a),  
15 Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

16 (a) The Texas Education Agency is subject to Chapter [325](#),  
17 Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence  
18 as provided by that chapter, the agency is abolished September 1,  
19 2029 [~~2027~~].

20 SECTION 2.02. EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES COUNCIL.

21 Section [33.254](#), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

22 Sec. 33.254. SUNSET PROVISION. The council is subject to  
23 Chapter [325](#), Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued  
24 in existence as provided by that chapter, the council is abolished

1 and this subchapter expires September 1, 2029 [~~2027~~].

2 SECTION 2.03. TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD.

3 Section [61.0211](#), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 61.0211. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Higher Education  
5 Coordinating Board is subject to Chapter [325](#), Government Code  
6 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by  
7 that chapter, the board is abolished and this chapter expires  
8 September 1, 2029 [~~2025~~].

9 SECTION 2.04. STATE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT.

10 Section [33.003](#), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

11 Sec. 33.003. SUNSET PROVISION. The State Commission on  
12 Judicial Conduct is subject to review under Chapter 325 (Texas  
13 Sunset Act), but is not abolished under that chapter. The  
14 commission shall be reviewed during the period in which state  
15 agencies abolished in 2029 [~~2025~~], and every 12th year after that  
16 year, are reviewed.

17 SECTION 2.05. JUDICIAL BRANCH CERTIFICATION COMMISSION.

18 Section [152.001](#), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

19 Sec. 152.001. SUNSET PROVISION. The Judicial Branch  
20 Certification Commission is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset  
21 Act), but is not abolished under that chapter. The commission shall  
22 be reviewed during the period in which state agencies abolished in  
23 2029 [~~2025~~], and every 12th year after that year, are reviewed.

24 SECTION 2.06. STATE PRESERVATION BOARD. Section [443.002](#),  
25 Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

26 Sec. 443.002. SUNSET PROVISION. The State Preservation  
27 Board is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless

1 continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the board is  
2 abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2029 [~~2025~~].

3 SECTION 2.07. TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION. Section 467.002,  
4 Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

5 Sec. 467.002. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The commission is  
6 subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in  
7 existence as provided by that chapter, the commission is abolished  
8 and this chapter, Chapter 466 of this code, and Chapter 2001,  
9 Occupations Code, expire September 1, 2029 [~~2025~~].

10 SECTION 2.08. STATE PENSION REVIEW BOARD. Section 801.107,  
11 Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

12 Sec. 801.107. SUNSET PROVISION. The State Pension Review  
13 Board is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless  
14 continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the board is  
15 abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2029 [~~2025~~].

16 SECTION 2.09. TEXAS PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY. Section  
17 1232.072, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

18 Sec. 1232.072. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Public Finance  
19 Authority is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless  
20 continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the authority  
21 is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2029 [~~2027~~].

22 SECTION 2.10. DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES. Section  
23 2054.005, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

24 Sec. 2054.005. SUNSET PROVISION. [~~(a)~~] The Department of  
25 Information Resources is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act).  
26 Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the  
27 department is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2029

1 [2025].

2 SECTION 2.11. TEXAS FACILITIES COMMISSION. Section  
3 2152.002, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 2152.002. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Facilities  
5 Commission is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless  
6 continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the commission  
7 is abolished and this subtitle, except for Chapter 2170 and Section  
8 2157.121, expires September 1, 2029 [~~2027~~].

9 SECTION 2.12. TEXAS STATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING CORPORATION.  
10 Section 2306.5521, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

11 Sec. 2306.5521. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas State  
12 Affordable Housing Corporation is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas  
13 Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that  
14 chapter, the corporation is abolished and this subchapter expires  
15 September 1, 2029 [~~2027~~].

16 SECTION 2.13. COMMISSION ON STATE EMERGENCY  
17 COMMUNICATIONS. Section 771.032, Health and Safety Code, is  
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Sec. 771.032. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Commission on  
20 State Emergency Communications is subject to Chapter 325,  
21 Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence  
22 as provided by that chapter, the commission is abolished and this  
23 chapter expires September 1, 2029 [~~2027~~].

24 ARTICLE 3. ENTITIES GIVEN 2033 SUNSET DATE

25 SECTION 3.01. PEDIATRIC ACUTE-ONSET NEUROPSYCHIATRIC  
26 SYNDROME ADVISORY COUNCIL. Section 119A.009, Health and Safety  
27 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1           Sec. 119A.009. SUNSET PROVISION. The Pediatric Acute-Onset  
2 Neuropsychiatric Syndrome Advisory Council is subject to Chapter  
3 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in  
4 existence as provided by that chapter, the advisory council is  
5 abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2033 [~~2031~~].

6           SECTION 3.02. TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD. Section 151.004,  
7 Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

8           Sec. 151.004. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas Medical  
9 Board is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset  
10 Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter,  
11 the board is abolished and this subtitle and Chapters 204, 205, 206,  
12 601, 602, 603, and 604 expire September 1, 2033 [~~2031~~].

13           SECTION 3.03. TEXAS BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS.  
14 Section 201.004, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

15           Sec. 201.004. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas Board of  
16 Chiropractic Examiners is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code  
17 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by  
18 that chapter, the board is abolished and this chapter expires  
19 September 1, 2033 [~~2029~~].

20           SECTION 3.04. STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS. Section  
21 251.005, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

22           Sec. 251.005. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The State Board of  
23 Dental Examiners is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas  
24 Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that  
25 chapter, the board is abolished September 1, 2033 [~~2029~~].

26           SECTION 3.05. TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING. Section 301.003,  
27 Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

1           Sec. 301.003. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas Board of  
2 Nursing is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset  
3 Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter,  
4 the board is abolished September 1, 2033 [~~2029~~].

5           SECTION 3.06. TEXAS OPTOMETRY BOARD. Section 351.004,  
6 Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

7           Sec. 351.004. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Optometry Board  
8 is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset Act).  
9 Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the  
10 board is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2033  
11 [~~2029~~].

12           SECTION 3.07. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF PHYSICAL THERAPY AND  
13 OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EXAMINERS. Section 452.002, Occupations  
14 Code, is amended to read as follows:

15           Sec. 452.002. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Executive  
16 Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners is  
17 subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless  
18 continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the executive  
19 council is abolished and the following laws expire September 1,  
20 2033 [~~2029~~]:

- 21                   (1) this chapter;  
22                   (2) Chapter 453; and  
23                   (3) Chapter 454.

24           SECTION 3.08. TEXAS BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS.  
25 Section 453.002, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

26           Sec. 453.002. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas Board of  
27 Physical Therapy Examiners is subject to Chapter 325, Government

1 Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided  
2 by that chapter, the board is abolished and this chapter expires  
3 September 1, 2033 [~~2029~~].

4 SECTION 3.09. TEXAS BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY  
5 EXAMINERS. Section 454.003, Occupations Code, is amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 Sec. 454.003. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas Board of  
8 Occupational Therapy Examiners is subject to Chapter 325,  
9 Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence  
10 as provided by that chapter, the board is abolished and this chapter  
11 expires September 1, 2033 [~~2029~~].

12 SECTION 3.10. TEXAS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.  
13 Section 507.002, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

14 Sec. 507.002. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas  
15 Behavioral Health Executive Council is subject to Chapter 325,  
16 Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence  
17 as provided by that chapter, the executive council is abolished and  
18 this chapter and Chapters 501, 502, 503, and 505 expire September 1,  
19 2033 [~~2029~~].

20 SECTION 3.11. TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY. Section  
21 551.005, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

22 Sec. 551.005. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas State  
23 Board of Pharmacy is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas  
24 Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that  
25 chapter, the board is abolished and this subtitle expires September  
26 1, 2033 [~~2029~~].

27 SECTION 3.12. TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY.

1 Section 901.006, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

2       Sec. 901.006. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas State  
3 Board of Public Accountancy is subject to Chapter 325, Government  
4 Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided  
5 by that chapter, the board is abolished and this chapter expires  
6 September 1, 2033 [~~2031~~].

7       SECTION 3.13. TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND  
8 LAND SURVEYORS. Section 1001.005, Occupations Code, is amended to  
9 read as follows:

10       Sec. 1001.005. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas Board  
11 of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors is subject to Chapter  
12 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in  
13 existence as provided by that chapter, the board is abolished and  
14 this chapter expires September 1, 2033 [~~2025~~].

15       SECTION 3.14. TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS.  
16 Section 1002.003, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

17       Sec. 1002.003. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas Board  
18 of Professional Geoscientists is subject to Chapter 325, Government  
19 Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided  
20 by that chapter, the board is abolished and this chapter expires  
21 September 1, 2033 [~~2025~~].

22       SECTION 3.15. TEXAS BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS.  
23 Section 1051.003, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

24       Sec. 1051.003. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas Board  
25 of Architectural Examiners is subject to Chapter 325, Government  
26 Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided  
27 by that chapter, the board is abolished and this subtitle expires



1 September 1, 2033 [~~2025~~].

2 SECTION 3.16. TEXAS REAL ESTATE COMMISSION. Section  
3 1101.006, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 1101.006. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas Real  
5 Estate Commission is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas  
6 Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that  
7 chapter, the commission is abolished and this chapter and Chapter  
8 1102 of this code and Chapter 221, Property Code, expire September  
9 1, 2033 [~~2031~~].

10 SECTION 3.17. TEXAS APPRAISER LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION  
11 BOARD. Section 1103.006, Occupations Code, is amended to read as  
12 follows:

13 Sec. 1103.006. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas  
14 Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board is subject to Chapter  
15 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in  
16 existence as provided by that chapter, the board is abolished and  
17 this chapter and Chapter 1104 expire September 1, 2033 [~~2031~~].

18 SECTION 3.18. TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PLUMBING EXAMINERS.  
19 Section 1301.003, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

20 Sec. 1301.003. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas State  
21 Board of Plumbing Examiners is subject to Chapter 325, Government  
22 Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided  
23 by that chapter, the board is abolished and this chapter expires  
24 September 1, 2033 [~~2027~~].

25 ARTICLE 4. ENTITIES GIVEN 2035 SUNSET DATE

26 SECTION 4.01. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE. Section 11.003,  
27 Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

1           Sec. 11.003. SUNSET PROVISION.           The Department of  
2 Agriculture is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas  
3 Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that  
4 chapter, the department is abolished September 1, 2035 [~~2033~~].

5           SECTION 4.02. BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE OFFICIAL COTTON  
6 GROWERS' BOLL WEEVIL ERADICATION FOUNDATION. Section 74.127(a),  
7 Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

8           (a) The board of directors of the official cotton growers'  
9 boll weevil eradication foundation is subject to Chapter 325,  
10 Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence  
11 as provided by that chapter, the board is abolished September 1,  
12 2035 [~~2033~~].

13           SECTION 4.03. TEXAS ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION. Section  
14 161.027, Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

15           Sec. 161.027. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Animal Health  
16 Commission is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset  
17 Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter,  
18 the commission is abolished September 1, 2035 [~~2033~~].

19           SECTION 4.04. PREPAID HIGHER EDUCATION TUITION BOARD.  
20 Section 54.603, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

21           Sec. 54.603. SUNSET PROVISION. The Prepaid Higher  
22 Education Tuition Board is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code  
23 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by  
24 that chapter, the board is abolished September 1, 2035 [~~2033~~].

25           SECTION 4.05. CREDIT UNION DEPARTMENT. Section 15.212,  
26 Finance Code, is amended to read as follows:

27           Sec. 15.212. SUNSET PROVISION. The Credit Union Department

1 and the Credit Union Commission are subject to Chapter 325,  
2 Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence  
3 as provided by that chapter, the department and commission are  
4 abolished September 1, 2035 [~~2033~~].

5 SECTION 4.06. TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION. Section  
6 419.003, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 419.003. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Commission on  
8 Fire Protection is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act).  
9 Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the  
10 commission is abolished September 1, 2035 [~~2033~~].

11 SECTION 4.07. COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS. Section  
12 511.003, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

13 Sec. 511.003. SUNSET PROVISION. The Commission on Jail  
14 Standards is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless  
15 continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the commission  
16 is abolished September 1, 2035 [~~2033~~].

17 SECTION 4.08. TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS. Section  
18 825.006, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

19 Sec. 825.006. SUNSET PROVISION. The board of trustees of  
20 the Teacher Retirement System of Texas is subject to review under  
21 Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act), but is not abolished under that  
22 chapter. The board shall be reviewed during the period in which  
23 state agencies abolished in 2035 [~~2033~~], and every 12th year after  
24 that year, are reviewed.

25 SECTION 4.09. PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT. Section  
26 11.0111, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

27 Sec. 11.0111. SUNSET PROVISION. The Parks and Wildlife

1 Department is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset  
2 Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter,  
3 the department is abolished September 1, 2035 [~~2033~~].

4 SECTION 4.10. BRAZOS RIVER AUTHORITY. Section  
5 8502.0021(a), Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 (a) The authority is subject to review under Chapter 325,  
8 Government Code (Texas Sunset Act), but may not be abolished under  
9 that chapter. The review shall be conducted under Section 325.025,  
10 Government Code, as if the authority were a state agency scheduled  
11 to be abolished September 1, 2035 [~~2033~~], and every 12th year after  
12 that year.

13 SECTION 4.11. GULF COAST PROTECTION DISTRICT. Section  
14 9502.0105(a), Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read  
15 as follows:

16 (a) The district is subject to review under Chapter 325,  
17 Government Code (Texas Sunset Act), but may not be abolished under  
18 that chapter. The review shall be conducted under Section 325.025,  
19 Government Code, as if the authority were a state agency scheduled  
20 to be abolished September 1, 2035 [~~2033~~], and every 12th year after  
21 that year.

22 ARTICLE 5. ENTITIES REMOVED FROM SUNSET REVIEW

23 SECTION 5.01. BANDERA COUNTY RIVER AUTHORITY AND  
24 GROUNDWATER DISTRICT. Section 1A, Chapter 629, Acts of the 62nd  
25 Legislature, Regular Session, 1971, is repealed.

26 ARTICLE 6. AMENDMENTS TO THE TEXAS SUNSET ACT

27 SECTION 6.01. SUNSET ADVISORY COMMISSION. Section

1 325.003(a-1), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

2 (a-1) A public member acts on behalf of the legislature when  
3 participating on the commission in furtherance of the legislature's  
4 duty to provide oversight of state [~~executive branch~~] agencies'  
5 implementation of legislative priorities.

6 SECTION 6.02. SUNSET ADVISORY COMMISSION REVIEW OF STATE  
7 AGENCIES NOT SUBJECT TO ABOLISHMENT. Chapter 325, Government Code,  
8 is amended by adding Section 325.006 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 325.006. REVIEW OF AGENCIES NOT SUBJECT TO  
10 ABOLISHMENT. The provisions of this chapter relating to the review  
11 of a state agency by the commission apply to the review of a state  
12 agency that is not subject to abolishment in the same manner as the  
13 provisions apply to a state agency that is subject to abolishment.

14 ARTICLE 7. EFFECTIVE DATE

15 SECTION 7.01. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect  
16 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members  
17 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas  
18 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for  
19 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.