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H.B. No. 4051

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the criteria for media production development zone  
recognition.

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

SECTION 1. Section 485A.101, Government Code, is amended to  
read as follows:

Sec. 485A.101. CRITERIA FOR MEDIA PRODUCTION DEVELOPMENT  
ZONE RECOGNITION. To be approved as a media production development  
zone, an area:

(1) must be in a metropolitan statistical area, the  
principal municipality of which~~+~~

~~[(A) has a population of more than 250,000, and~~  
~~[(B)]~~ has the adequate workforce,  
infrastructure, facilities, or resources to support the production  
and completion of moving image projects;

(2) must be recognized as a media production  
development zone by ordinance or order, as appropriate, of a  
municipality or the commissioners court of a county; and

(3) will contain a qualified media production location  
within its geographical boundaries that meets the criteria under  
Section 485A.102.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
to an application for designation submitted under Section 485A.106,  
Government Code, on or after the effective date of this Act. An

1 application submitted before the effective date of this Act is  
2 governed by the law in effect on the date the application was  
3 submitted, and the former law is continued in effect for that  
4 purpose.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.