

By: King
(Raymond, Morales of Maverick, Lopez of Cameron)

S.B. No. 538

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the use of appropriated money by the Texas State Guard
3 for recruiting and retention purposes.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section [2113.011](#), Government Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

7 (f) This section does not prohibit the Texas State Guard
8 from using appropriated money for the purpose of recruiting or
9 retaining service members, employees, or other personnel. In this
10 subsection, "service member" and "Texas State Guard" have the
11 meanings assigned by Section [437.001](#).

12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
14 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
16 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.