By: Perry S.B. No. 1614

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the computation of the cost of goods sold by television
- 3 and radio broadcasters for purposes of the franchise tax.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 171.1012(o), Tax Code, is amended to 6 read as follows:
- 7 (o) If a taxable entity, including a taxable entity with
- 8 respect to which cost of goods sold is determined pursuant to
- 9 Section 171.1014(e)(1), whose principal business activity is film
- 10 or television production, television or $\underline{\text{radio}}$ broadcasting, or the
- 11 distribution of tangible personal property described by Subsection
- 12 (a)(3)(A)(ii), or any combination of these activities, elects to
- 13 subtract cost of goods sold, the cost of goods sold for the taxable
- 14 entity shall be the costs described in this section in relation to
- 15 the property and include depreciation, amortization, and other
- 16 expenses directly related to the acquisition, production, or use of
- 17 the property, including expenses for the right to broadcast or use
- 18 the property.
- 19 SECTION 2. The amendment made by this Act is a clarification
- 20 of existing law and does not imply that existing law may be
- 21 construed as inconsistent with the law as amended by this Act.
- 22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 2 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.