

1-1 By: Hughes S.B. No. 1985
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 8, 2023; March 21, 2023, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources &
 1-4 Economic Development; April 20, 2023, reported adversely, with
 1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8,
 1-6 Nays 0; April 20, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-16	X			
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1985 By: Hughes

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the reestablishment of the committee to study the
 1-22 formation of a Texas Bicentennial Commission.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. DEFINITION. In this Act, "committee" means the
 1-25 committee reestablished under Section 2 of this Act.

1-26 SECTION 2. COMMITTEE. (a) The committee established by
 1-27 Chapter 734 (H.B. 4056), Acts of the 87th Legislature, Regular
 1-28 Session, 2021, is reestablished to continue carrying out the
 1-29 committee's duties. A person who served on the committee
 1-30 established by Chapter 734 may be reappointed to the committee
 1-31 under Subsection (b) of this section by the relevant appointing
 1-32 authority.

1-33 (b) The committee is composed of 18 members as follows:

1-34 (1) one member appointed by the governor who serves as
 1-35 presiding officer;

1-36 (2) one member appointed jointly by the lieutenant
 1-37 governor and the speaker of the house of representatives who serves
 1-38 as assistant presiding officer;

1-39 (3) five senators appointed by the lieutenant
 1-40 governor;

1-41 (4) five members of the house of representatives
 1-42 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; and

1-43 (5) six nonvoting members appointed by the governor
 1-44 who are residents of this state with at least one member appointed
 1-45 from each state senatorial district that contains one of the
 1-46 following:

1-47 (A) Fair Park;

1-48 (B) the San Jacinto Battleground State Historic
 1-49 Site;

1-50 (C) the Alamo;

1-51 (D) the State Capitol; or

1-52 (E) Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic
 1-53 Site.

1-54 (c) The committee must reflect the racial, ethnic, and
 1-55 geographic diversity of this state.

1-56 (d) The committee shall meet at the call of the presiding
 1-57 officer. Committee meetings may be held in person, by telephone, or
 1-58 by other means of communication.

1-59 (e) The committee may establish subcommittees to assist the
 1-60 committee in carrying out its duties under this Act.

2-1 (f) A member of the committee may not receive compensation
2-2 for service on the committee.

2-3 (g) The General Land Office and the Texas Historical
2-4 Commission shall provide administrative support services at the
2-5 request of the committee, including assisting in drafting and
2-6 compiling the report required by this Act.

2-7 (h) Committee meetings must be open to the public.

2-8 SECTION 3. STUDY; REPORT. (a) The committee shall study
2-9 the formation of a Texas Bicentennial Commission to plan this
2-10 state's celebration of the 2036 bicentennial, including:

2-11 (1) the composition of the commission, the manner of
2-12 appointing its members, and the total number of members; and

2-13 (2) the scope and duties of the commission.

2-14 (b) Not later than September 30, 2024, the committee shall
2-15 submit a written report to each member of the legislature with
2-16 recommendations on the areas of study described by Subsection (a)
2-17 of this section and any other recommendations the committee
2-18 considers appropriate. The committee shall submit a second report
2-19 to each member of the legislature not later than September 30, 2026,
2-20 covering the committee's activities performed after the date the
2-21 first report is submitted.

2-22 SECTION 4. EXPIRATION. The committee is abolished and this
2-23 Act expires January 1, 2027.

2-24 SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September
2-25 1, 2023.

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