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H.B. No. 370

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to eligibility of certain events under the Events Trust
3 Fund

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

5 SECTION 1. Sec. 478.0051 is amended by adding subsections
6 (d) and (e) to read as follows:

7 Sec. 478.0051. EVENTS ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING. (a) Only an
8 event listed in Section 478.0001(3) is eligible for funding under
9 this chapter.

10 (b) A listed event may receive funding through the program
11 only if:

12 (1) a site selection organization, after considering
13 through a highly competitive selection process one or more sites
14 not in this state, selects a site in this state for the event to be
15 held:

16 (A) one time; or

17 (B) if the event is scheduled under an event
18 contract or event support contract to be held each year for a period
19 of years, one time in each year;

20 (2) a site selection organization selects a site in
21 this state as:

22 (A) the sole site for the event; or

23 (B) the sole site for the event in a region
24 composed of this state and one or more adjoining states;

1 (3) the event is held not more than one time in
2 any year;

3 (4) the incremental increase in tax receipts
4 determined under Section 478.0102 is at least \$1 million; and

5 (5) not later than the 30th day before the first
6 day of the event, a site selection organization submits a plan to
7 prevent the trafficking of persons in connection with the event to:

8 (A) the office of the attorney general; and

9 (B) the chief of the Texas Division of
10 Emergency Management.

11 (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (b), an event described by
12 Section 478.0001(3)(GG) may receive funding through the program if
13 a portion of the event is held at one or more sites located in
14 another state or country.

15 (d) An event is not eligible for funding under this chapter
16 if the event allows for a biological male to compete in a sport
17 designated by rule or procedure for female athletes.

18 (e) For purposes of this section:

19 (1) An athlete's status as a biological male is
20 determined by the biological sex correctly stated on:

21 (A) the athlete's official birth certificate; or

22 (B) if the athlete's official birth certificate
23 described by Paragraph (A) is unobtainable, another government
24 record that accurately states the athlete's biological sex; and

25 (2) a statement of an athlete's biological sex on the
26 athlete's official birth certificate is considered to have
27 correctly stated the athlete's biological sex only if the statement

1 was:

2 (A) entered at or near the time of the athlete's
3 birth; or

4 (B) modified to correct a scrivener or clerical
5 error in the student's biological sex.

6 (f) Subsection (d) does not prohibit biological males from
7 acting as coaches, support staff, or other necessary personnel who
8 are not actively competing in the sport designated by rule or
9 procedure for female athletes.

10 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
11 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
12 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
13 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
14 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.