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H.B. No. 530

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the authority of a political subdivision to establish
3 and operate a guaranteed income program.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 140, Local Government Code, is amended
6 by adding Section 140.014 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 140.014. PROHIBITION ON GUARANTEED INCOME PROGRAM.

8 (a) In this section, "guaranteed income program" means a program
9 under which an individual is issued an unconditional cash payment
10 on a regular basis to be used by the individual for any purpose. The
11 term does not include a program under which an individual is
12 required to seek employment, perform work, or attend career or job
13 training as a condition of receiving a payment.

14 (b) Unless explicitly authorized by law, a political
15 subdivision may not adopt or enforce an ordinance, order,
16 regulation, or other measure that establishes or provides for the
17 operation of a guaranteed income program.

18 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding Section 140.014, Local
19 Government Code, as added by this Act, an ordinance, order,
20 regulation, or other measure that establishes or provides for the
21 operation of a guaranteed income program, as defined by that
22 section, in effect before the effective date of this Act may be
23 enforced until the earlier of January 1, 2026, or the expiration of
24 the ordinance, order, regulation, or other measure.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.