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H.B. No. 697

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the applicability of prohibitions on municipal or
3 county regulations on the rental or leasing of housing
4 accommodations.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 250.007(b), Local Government Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (b) This section does not affect an ordinance or regulation
9 that prohibits the refusal to lease or rent a housing accommodation
10 to:

11 (1) a military veteran because of the veteran's lawful
12 source of income to pay rent;

13 (2) a person who is 62 years of age or older because of
14 the person's lawful source of income to pay rent; or

15 (3) a person who has a disability, as defined by the
16 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et
17 seq.), because of the person's lawful source of income to pay rent.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.