By: McReynolds H.B. No. 2162

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2162:

By: Hegar C.S.H.B. No. 2162

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the authority of certain counties to impose a hotel

3 occupancy tax.

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

5 SECTION 1. Sections 352.002(a) and (d), Tax Code, are

6 amended to read as follows:

- 7 (a) The commissioners courts of the following counties by
- 8 the adoption of an order or resolution may impose a tax on a person
- 9 who, under a lease, concession, permit, right of access, license,
- 10 contract, or agreement, pays for the use or possession or for the
- 11 right to the use or possession of a room that is in a hotel, costs \$2
- or more each day, and is ordinarily used for sleeping:
- 13 (1) a county that has a population of more than 3.3
- 14 million;
- 15 (2) a county that has a population of 90,000 or more,
- 16 borders [the Republic of] Mexico, and does not have three or more
- 17 cities that each have a population of more than 17,500;
- 18 (3) a county in which there is no municipality;
- 19 (4) a county in which there is located an Indian
- 20 reservation under the jurisdiction of the United States government;
- 21 (5) a county that has a population of 17,500 or less,
- 22 that has no more than one municipality with a population of less
- than 2,500, and that borders two counties located wholly in the
- 24 Edwards Aquifer Authority established by Chapter 626, Acts of the

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- 1 73rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1993;
- 2 (6) a county that borders the Gulf of Mexico;
- 3 (7) a county that has a population of less than 5,000,
- 4 that borders [the Republic of] Mexico, and in which there is located
- 5 a major observatory;
- 6 (8) a county that has a population of 12,000 or less
- 7 and borders the Toledo Bend Reservoir;
- 8 (9) a county that has a population of less than 12,000
- 9 and an area of less than 275 square miles;
- 10 (10) a county that has a population of 30,000 or less
- 11 and borders Possum Kingdom Lake;
- 12 (11) a county that borders [the Republic of] Mexico
- and has a population of more than 300,000 and less than 600,000;
- 14 (12) a county that has a population of 35,000 or more
- and borders or contains a portion of Lake Fork Reservoir;
- 16 (13) a county that borders [the Republic of] Mexico
- and in which there is located a national recreation area;
- 18 (14) a county that borders [the Republic of] Mexico
- and in which there is located a national park of more than 400,000
- 20 acres;
- 21 (15) a county that has a population of 28,000 or less,
- 22 that has no more than four municipalities, and that is located
- wholly in the Edwards Aquifer Authority established by Chapter 626,
- 24 Acts of the 73rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1993; [and]
- 25 (16) a county that has a population of 25,000 or less,
- 26 whose territory is less than 750 square miles, and that has two
- incorporated municipalities, each with a population of 800 or less,

- 1 located on the Frio River; and
- 2 (17) a county with a population of 21,000 or less that
- 3 borders the Neches River and in which there is located a national
- 4 preserve.
- 5 (d) The tax imposed by a county authorized by Subsection
- 6 (a)(4), (6), (8), (10), (11), $[\frac{or}{a}]$ (12), or (17) to impose the tax
- 7 does not apply to a hotel located in a municipality that imposes a
- 8 tax under Chapter 351 applicable to the hotel. This subsection does
- 9 not apply to a county authorized by Subsection (a)(6) to impose the
- 10 tax that:
- 11 (1) has a population of less than 40,000 and adjoins
- 12 the most populous county in this state; or
- 13 (2) has a population of more than 200,000 and borders
- 14 the Neches River.
- 15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 19 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.