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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the authorization of changes affecting sales and use

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

tax authority of emergency services districts.

5 SECTION 1. Section 775.0751(a), Health and Safety Code, is 6 amended to read as follows:

7 (a) A district may adopt a sales and use tax, change the rate

of its sales and use tax, or abolish its sales and use tax at an

election held as provided by Section 775.0752. The district may

impose the tax at a rate in any increments of one-eighth of one

11 percent to a maximum of two percent [of one-half percent, one

percent, one and one-half percent, or two percent]. Revenue from

the tax may be used for any purpose for which ad valorem tax revenue

14 of the district may be used.

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15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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.