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H.B. No. 3445

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to creating a task force to study the use of land within the Capitol Complex.

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

SECTION 1. Subtitle B, Title 10, Government Code, is amended by adding Chapter 2059 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 2059. CAPITOL COMPLEX MASTER PLAN TASK FORCE

Sec. 2059.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "Capitol Complex" means the state-owned property in the city of Austin within the area bounded on the north by Martin Luther King, Jr., Boulevard, on the east by Trinity Street, on the south by 10th Street, and on the west by Lavaca Street.

Sec. 2059.002. TASK FORCE. (a) The governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint a task force to study land use within the Capitol Complex.

(b) The task force shall develop a master plan for the Capitol Complex that:

(1) makes maximum and best use of the land within the Capitol Complex for state agencies; and

(2) provides for the relocation to the Capitol Complex of state agencies located outside the Capitol Complex.

(c) The task force shall use research reports prepared by the General Services Commission and the General Land Office in

1 developing the master plan under Subsection (b).

2 Sec. 2059.003. PRESIDING OFFICER. The governor shall
3 appoint one member of the task force as the presiding officer. The
4 presiding officer shall present the master plan to the governor,
5 the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of
6 representatives, and the director of any state agency that is
7 affected by the master plan.

8 Sec. 2059.004. AGENCY REJECTION OR APPROVAL OF
9 RECOMMENDATIONS. (a) The governing board of a state agency may
10 adopt or reject the recommendations contained in the master plan.
11 If the agency rejects the recommendations, the state agency shall
12 specify in writing the reasons for the rejection.

13 (b) Not later than the 90th day after the date the task force
14 receives a rejection of the recommendation from a state agency, the
15 task force shall develop a new implementation strategy to present
16 to the state agency.

17 Sec. 2059.005. ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT STAFF. An
18 executive agency at the direction of the governor and a legislative
19 agency at the direction of the lieutenant governor or the speaker of
20 the house of representatives shall provide support staff and
21 administrative assistance to the task force.

22 Sec. 2059.006. APPLICABILITY OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE LAW.
23 Chapter 2110 does not apply to the task force.

24 Sec. 2059.007. EXPIRATION. The task force is abolished and
25 this chapter expires September 1, 2007.

26 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
27 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.