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H.B. No. 152

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a project of a development corporation in connection
3 with a military base.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 2(11), Development Corporation Act of
6 1979 (Article 5190.6, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (11) [~~(A)~~] "Project" shall mean the land, buildings,
9 equipment, facilities, expenditures, targeted infrastructure, and
10 improvements (one or more) that are for the creation or retention of
11 primary jobs and that are found by the board of directors to be
12 required or suitable for the development, retention, or expansion
13 of manufacturing and industrial facilities, research and
14 development facilities, transportation facilities (including but
15 not limited to airports, ports, mass commuting facilities, and
16 parking facilities), sewage or solid waste disposal facilities,
17 recycling facilities, air or water pollution control facilities,
18 facilities for the furnishing of water to the general public,
19 distribution centers, small warehouse facilities capable of
20 serving as decentralized storage and distribution centers, primary
21 job training facilities for use by institutions of higher
22 education, and regional or national corporate headquarters
23 facilities.

24 "Project" also includes job training required or

1 suitable for the promotion of development and expansion of business
2 enterprises and other enterprises described by this Act, as
3 provided by Section 38 of this Act.

4 "Project" also includes expenditures found by the board
5 of directors to be required or suitable for infrastructure
6 necessary to promote or develop new or expanded business
7 enterprises limited to streets and roads, rail spurs, water and
8 electric utilities, gas utilities, drainage and related
9 improvements, and telecommunications and Internet improvements.

10 "Project" also includes the land, buildings, equipment,
11 facilities, expenditures, targeted infrastructure, and
12 improvements that are found by the board of directors to be required
13 or suitable for the promotion or support of a military base in
14 active use to prevent the possible future closure or realignment of
15 the base.

16 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
20 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.