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H.B. No. 218

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the authority of a municipality to regulate certain
3 property with historical, cultural, or architectural importance.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 211.003(b), Local Government Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (b) In the case of designated places and areas of
8 historical, cultural, or architectural importance and
9 significance, the governing body of a municipality may regulate the
10 construction, reconstruction, alteration, or razing of buildings
11 and other structures. A regulation adopted under this subsection
12 does not apply to property exempt from taxation under Section
13 11.20, Tax Code.

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