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H.B. No. 568

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a project authorized to be undertaken by certain
3 development corporations.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 4B(a)(2), Development Corporation Act of
6 1979 (Article 5190.6, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (2) "Project" means land, buildings, equipment,
9 facilities, expenditures, and improvements included in the
10 definition of that term under Section 2 of this Act, and includes
11 job training as provided by Section 38 of this Act. For purposes of
12 this section, the term includes recycling facilities, and land,
13 buildings, equipment, facilities, and improvements found by the
14 board of directors to:

15 (A) be required or suitable for use for
16 professional and amateur (including children's) sports, athletic,
17 entertainment, tourist, convention, and public park purposes and
18 events, including stadiums, ball parks, auditoriums,
19 amphitheaters, concert halls, parks and park facilities, open space
20 improvements, museums, exhibition facilities, and related store,
21 restaurant, concession, and automobile parking facilities, related
22 area transportation facilities, and related roads, streets, and
23 water and sewer facilities, and other related improvements that
24 enhance any of those items;

1 (B) promote or develop new or expanded business
2 enterprises that create or retain primary jobs, including a project
3 to provide public safety facilities, streets and roads, drainage
4 and related improvements, demolition of existing structures,
5 general municipally owned improvements, as well as any improvements
6 or facilities that are related to any of those projects and any
7 other project that the board in its discretion determines promotes
8 or develops new or expanded business enterprises that create or
9 retain primary jobs;

10 (C) be required or suitable for the promotion of
11 development and expansion of affordable housing, as defined by 42
12 U.S.C. Section 12745;

13 (D) be required or suitable for the development
14 or improvement of water supply facilities, including dams,
15 transmission lines, well field developments, and other water supply
16 alternatives; ~~or~~

17 (E) be required or suitable for the development
18 and institution of water conservation programs, including
19 incentives to install water-saving plumbing fixtures, educational
20 programs, brush control programs, and programs to replace
21 malfunctioning or leaking water lines and other water facilities;
22 or

23 (F) be required or suitable for the development
24 or expansion of educational facilities at an institution of higher
25 education.

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, 2005.