

1-1 By: Casteel (Senate Sponsor - Ellis) H.B. No. 860  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 18, 2005;  
1-3 April 19, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Finance; May 18, 2005, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 12, Nays 0; May 18, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to charitable contributions by state employees to certain  
1-9 General Land Office programs.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 31.0655, Natural Resources Code, is  
1-12 amended to read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 31.0655. STATE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS TO SAVE TEXAS  
1-14 HISTORY AND ADOPT-A-BEACH PROGRAMS [~~ADOPT-A-MAP/ADOPT-A-DOCUMENT~~  
1-15 ~~PROGRAM~~]. For purposes of Subchapter I, Chapter 659, Government  
1-16 Code:

1-17 (1) the land office, for the sole purpose of managing  
1-18 the Save Texas History and Adopt-A-Beach programs  
1-19 [~~Adopt-A-Map/Adopt-A-Document Program~~], is considered an eligible  
1-20 charitable organization entitled to participate in the state  
1-21 employee charitable campaign; and

1-22 (2) a state employee is entitled to authorize a  
1-23 deduction for contributions to the land office for the purposes of  
1-24 managing the Save Texas History and Adopt-A-Beach programs  
1-25 [~~Adopt-A-Map/Adopt-A-Document Program~~] as a charitable  
1-26 contribution under Section 659.132, Government Code, and the land  
1-27 office may use the contributions for the purpose of:

1-28 (A) preserving historic maps and documents under  
1-29 the Save Texas History program; or

1-30 (B) administering the Adopt-A-Beach [~~that~~]  
1-31 program.

1-32 SECTION 2. The General Land Office may transfer any money  
1-33 contributed to the land office for the  
1-34 Adopt-A-Map/Adopt-A-Document program under Section 31.0655,  
1-35 Natural Resources Code, to the Save Texas History and Adopt-A-Beach  
1-36 programs under Section 31.0655, Natural Resources Code, as amended  
1-37 by this Act.

1-38 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-39 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-40 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-41 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-42 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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