

AN ACT

relating to the authority of a municipality that includes or is near a defense base to issue bonds for facilities to be leased to the federal government.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1509.001(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A municipality may acquire land and may construct or acquire a building or other facility for the purpose of leasing the land, building, or other facility to:

(1) a political subdivision or state agency for public use; ~~or~~

(2) an individual, private corporation, or other private entity for use in manufacturing or another commercial activity; or

(3) if the municipality is a defense community as defined by Section 397.001, Local Government Code, the federal government to enhance the military value of a military facility located in or near the defense community.

SECTION 2. Section 1509.004, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) A municipality with a population of at least 50,000 that has taken action under Section 1509.001(a)(3) may also provide for the payment of the principal of or interest on the bonds issued to

1 finance the action taken by pledging all or any part of other  
2 municipal revenue that the municipality is not prohibited from  
3 using for that payment.

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

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2931 was passed by the House on May 9, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 3 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2931 was passed by the Senate on May 25, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor