

AN ACT

relating to the use of state hotel occupancy tax revenue to clean and maintain beaches in certain municipalities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 156.2512, Tax Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 156.2512. ALLOCATION OF REVENUE TO CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES. (a) Not later than the last day of the month following a calendar quarter, the comptroller shall:

(1) compute the amount of revenue derived from the collection of taxes imposed under this chapter at a rate of one percent and received from hotels located on barrier islands in an eligible barrier island ~~[general-law]~~ coastal municipality; and

(2) issue to the eligible barrier island ~~[general-law]~~ coastal municipality a warrant drawn on the general revenue fund in the amount computed under Subdivision (1).

(b) An eligible barrier island ~~[general-law]~~ coastal municipality may use money received under this section only:

(1) to clean and maintain public beaches in that municipality; and

(2) for an erosion response project in that municipality.

(c) In this section:

(1) "Eligible barrier island ~~[general-law]~~ coastal

1 municipality" means a [~~general-law~~] municipality:

2 (A) [~~that has a population of less than 5,000,~~

3 [~~(B)~~] that borders on the Gulf of Mexico;

4 (B) that is located wholly or partly on a barrier
5 island; and

6 (C) the boundaries of which are within 30 miles
7 of the United Mexican States or include a portion of a national
8 seashore.

9 (2) "Clean and maintain" has the meaning assigned by
10 Section 61.063, Natural Resources Code.

11 (3) "Erosion response project" has the meaning
12 assigned by Section 33.601, Natural Resources Code.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
17 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

H.B. No. 1009

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1009 was passed by the House on March 15, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1009 on May 24, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 3 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1009 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 17, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor