

By: Escobar (Senate Sponsor - Lucio) H.B. No. 1009
(In the Senate - Received from the House March 19, 2007;
March 29, 2007, read first time and referred to Subcommittee on
Agriculture, Rural Affairs and Coastal Resources; May 11, 2007,
reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute from
Committee on Natural Resources by the following vote: Yeas 8,
Nays 0; May 11, 2007, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1009 By: Hinojosa

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
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 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
municipality" means a ~~[general-law]~~ municipality:

(A) that has a population of less than 10,000
~~[5,000]~~;

(B) that borders on the Gulf of Mexico; ~~and~~

(C) that is located wholly on a barrier island;
and

(D) the boundaries of which are within 30 miles
of the United Mexican States.

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

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

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

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