

By: Leibowitz

H.B. No. 1648

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1648:

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C.S.H.B. No. 1648

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to allowing a county to hold a nonbinding referendum on a  
3 county fiscal matter.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 130, Local Government  
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 130.910 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 130.910. NONBINDING REFERENDUM ON COUNTY FISCAL  
8 MATTER. (a) The commissioners court of a county may hold a  
9 nonbinding referendum in the county on any question affecting a  
10 county fiscal matter other than a matter involving:

11 (1) a labor agreement; or

12 (2) compensation of any county employee.

13 (b) The referendum shall be held in the same manner as an  
14 election on a county measure and must take place on an election date  
15 authorized by Section 41.001, Election Code.

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