By: Puente H.B. No. 2286

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2286:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to an interim study committee on the authority of a chief

appraiser to audit a rendition statement or property report

4 delivered to the chief appraiser.

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

6 SECTION 1. INTERIM STUDY. An interim committee consisting

7 of the members of the Senate Intergovernmental Relations Committee

and the House Local Government Ways and Means Committee shall study

the feasibility of the following legislative proposals:

- 10 (1) authorizing a chief appraiser or an examiner
- 11 authorized by a chief appraiser to examine, copy, and photograph
- 12 the books, records, and papers of a person who files a rendition
- 13 statement or property report required by Chapter 22, Tax Code; and
- 14 (2) authorizing a chief appraiser, if it is determined
- as a result of an investigation of the records, books, and papers of
- 16 a person who files a rendition statement or property report under
- 17 Chapter 22, Tax Code, that the chief appraiser's reliance on the
- 18 rendition statement or property report resulted in the omission of
- 19 taxable property in any of the preceding five tax years, to enter
- 20 the property and its appraised value in the appraisal records for
- 21 each year the property was omitted as provided by Section 25.21, Tax
- 22 Code, for other omitted property.
- 23 SECTION 2. COMMITTEE REPORT. Not later than January 15,
- 24 2009, the committee shall report the committee's findings and

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- 1 recommendations to the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the
- 2 house of representatives, and the governor. The committee shall
- 3 include in its recommendations specific statutory changes that the
- 4 committee considers desirable to address any concerns identified as
- 5 a result of the committee's study under Section 1 of this Act.
- 6 SECTION 3. ABOLITION OF COMMITTEE. The committee is
- 7 abolished and this Act expires January 16, 2009.
- 8 SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect
- 9 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members
- 10 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas
- 11 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for
- immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2007.