

By: Harris

S.B. No. 1319

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to county development district programs to promote  
3 tourism.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 383, Local Government  
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 383.067 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 383.067. PROGRAM TO PROMOTE TOURISM. (a) A district  
8 may establish or administer a program to promote:

9 (1) the attraction of visitors and tourists to the  
10 district; and

11 (2) employment, economic activity, and travel in the  
12 district.

13 (b) As part of the program, the district may promote travel  
14 by county residents within the county.

15 (c) A district may use taxes collected under Subchapter F  
16 for a program created under this section or to make a loan or grant  
17 for a public purpose under Section 52-a, Article III, Texas  
18 Constitution. A program under this section is a program under  
19 Section 52-a, Article III, Texas Constitution.

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