

Amend CSSB 2288 (Senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Section 487.355, Government Code (page 1, lines 14-56), and substitute the following:

Sec. 487.355. NONBORDER COLONIA FUND. (a) In this section, "nonborder colonia" means a geographic area that:

(1) is located in a county all parts of which are located at least 150 miles from the international border of this state;

(2) is located in a county or municipality that is eligible, as identified by office rule, to receive community development block grant money under this subchapter;

(3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as a community or neighborhood; and

(4) either:

(A) has a majority population composed of individuals and families of low income, based on the federal Office of Management and Budget poverty index, and meets the qualifications of an economically distressed area under Section 17.921, Water Code; or

(B) has the physical and economic characteristics of a colonia, as determined by the office.

(b) The nonborder colonia fund is an account in the general revenue fund.

(c) In each state fiscal year, from amounts allocated to the state under the federal community development block grant nonentitlement program authorized by Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. Section 5301 et seq.), the office shall set aside and transfer to the account for the purposes of this section the portion of that money, not to exceed \$7.5 million each year, that exceeds the amount provided to the state under that program for the state fiscal year ending August 31, 2008.

(d) Except as provided by Subsection (e), amounts deposited to the account may be appropriated to the office only for the benefit of counties and municipalities identified by office rule as

eligible to receive community development block grant money under
this subchapter for:

(1) housing initiatives for nonborder colonias located in those counties and municipalities, including infrastructure associated with new construction, rehabilitation, or improvements; and

(2) the improvement of the housing conditions in those colonias.

(e) Amounts deposited to the account may not be appropriated to the office for financial assistance to political subdivisions for the construction, acquisition, or improvement of water supply and sewer services, as described by Section 17.922, Water Code.

(f) Sections 403.095 and 404.071 do not apply to the account.

(2) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 487.356(1), Government Code (page 1, line 63, through page 2, line 1), strike "community development block grant colonia fund under this subchapter" and substitute "nonborder colonia fund established by Section 487.355".

(3) In SECTION 2 of the bill, in added Section 2306.098(1), Government Code (page 2, lines 17-18), strike "community development block grant colonia fund under Subchapter I, Chapter 487" and substitute "nonborder colonia fund established by Section 487.355".