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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to the authority of certain counties to impose a hotel occupancy tax for the maintenance and operation of a coliseum in the 3 county. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 6 SECTION 1. Section 352.002, Tax Code, is amended by adding Subsection (h) to read as follows: 7 (h) The commissioners court of a county with a population of 8 9 more than 16,000 that is bordered by Lake J. B. Thomas may impose a tax as provided by Subsection (a). 10 SECTION 2. Section 352.003, Tax Code, is amended by adding 11 12 Subsection (1) to read as follows: 13 (1) The tax rate in a county authorized to impose the tax 14 under Section 352.002(h) may not exceed two percent of the price paid for a room in a hotel. 15 SECTION 3. Subchapter B, Chapter 352, Tax Code, is amended 16 by adding Section 352.1036 to read as follows: 17 18 Sec. 352.1036. USE OF REVENUE: COUNTIES BORDERING LAKE J. B. THOMAS. The revenue from a tax imposed under this chapter by 19 a county authorized to impose the tax under Section 352.002(h) may 20 21 be used only to operate and maintain a coliseum in the county. 22 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 24

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.