By: Thompson H.B. No. 2593

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2593:

By: Oliveira C.S.H.B. No. 2593

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

 $2\,$ relating to the application of the franchise tax to certain S

3 corporations.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 171.0002(c), Tax Code, is amended to

6 read as follows:

- 7 (c) "Taxable entity" does not include an entity that is:
- 8 (1) a grantor trust as defined by Sections 671 and
- 9 7701(a)(30)(E), Internal Revenue Code, all of the grantors and
- 10 beneficiaries of which are natural persons or charitable entities
- 11 as described in Section 501(c)(3), Internal Revenue Code, excluding
- 12 a trust taxable as a business entity pursuant to Treasury
- 13 Regulation Section 301.7701-4(b);
- 14 (2) an estate of a natural person as defined by Section
- 15 7701(a)(30)(D), Internal Revenue Code, excluding an estate taxable
- 16 as a business entity pursuant to Treasury Regulation Section
- 17 301.7701-4(b);
- 18 (3) an escrow;
- 19 (4) a real estate investment trust (REIT) as defined
- 20 by Section 856, Internal Revenue Code, and its "qualified REIT
- 21 subsidiary" entities as defined by Section 856(i)(2), Internal
- 22 Revenue Code, provided that:
- 23 (A) a REIT with any amount of its assets in direct
- 24 holdings of real estate, other than real estate it occupies for

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- 1 business purposes, as opposed to holding interests in limited
- 2 partnerships or other entities that directly hold the real estate,
- 3 is a taxable entity; and
- 4 (B) a limited partnership or other entity that
- 5 directly holds the real estate as described in Paragraph (A) is not
- 6 exempt under this subdivision, without regard to whether a REIT
- 7 holds an interest in it;
- 8 (5) a real estate mortgage investment conduit (REMIC),
- 9 as defined by Section 860D, Internal Revenue Code;
- 10 (6) a nonprofit self-insurance trust created under
- 11 Chapter 2212, Insurance Code, or a predecessor statute;
- 12 (7) a trust qualified under Section 401(a), Internal
- 13 Revenue Code; [or]
- 14 (8) a trust or other entity that is exempt under
- 15 Section 501(c)(9), Internal Revenue Code; or
- 16 (9) an S corporation, as that term is defined by
- 17 Section 1361, Internal Revenue Code, that is owned entirely by an
- 18 employee stock ownership plan, as that term is defined by Section
- 19 4975(e), Internal Review Code.
- 20 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to a report originally due
- 21 on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 2010.