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H.B. No. 3343

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to county participation in the enterprise zone program.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2303.003(8), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(8) "Qualified hotel project" means a hotel proposed to be constructed by a municipality, a county, or a nonprofit municipally sponsored or county-sponsored local government corporation created under the Texas Transportation Corporation Act, Chapter 431, Transportation Code, that is within 1,000 feet of a convention center owned by a municipality or county, as appropriate, having a population of 1,500,000 or more, including shops, parking facilities, and any other facilities ancillary to the hotel.

SECTION 2. Section 2303.505(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) To encourage the development of areas designated as enterprise zones, the governing body of a municipality or county through a program may refund its local sales and use taxes paid by a qualified business on all taxable items purchased for use at the qualified business site related to the project or activity.

SECTION 3. Section 2303.505(a), Government Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to the refund of local sales and use taxes paid on or after the effective date of this Act.

1 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.