1-1 By: Hopson (Senate Sponsor - Ogden) H.B. No. 3669 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 18, 2009; May 19, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; May 23, 2009, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 23, 2009, sent to printer.) 1**-**2 1**-**3 1-4 1-5 1-6 1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT relating to the authority of certain counties to impose a hotel 1-8 1-9 occupancy tax. 1-10 1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Section 352.002, Tax Code, is amended by adding 1-12 Subsection (k) to read as follows: 1-13 (k) The commissioners court of a county with a population of more than 20,000 that is bordered by the Neches and Trinity Rivers and that contains portions of the Davy Crockett National Forest may impose a tax as provided by Subsection (a).

SECTION 2. Section 352.003, Tax Code, is amended by adding 1-14 1**-**15 1**-**16 1-17 1-18 Subsection (m) to read as follows: (m) The tax rate in a county authorized to impose the tax under Section 352.002(k) may not exceed three percent of the price paid for a room in a hotel.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 1-19 1-20 1-21 1-22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 1-23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 1-24 1**-**25 1**-**26 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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