

By: Turner of Tarrant

H.B. No. 3956

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to use of sales and tax revenues by certain development  
3 corporations to promote higher education and job training  
4 opportunities.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 504, Local Government  
7 Code, as effective April 1, 2009, is amended by adding Section  
8 504.1025 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 504.1025. PROJECTS RELATING TO PROMOTING HIGHER  
10 EDUCATION AND JOB TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES. (a) For purposes of this  
11 section, "education and job training project" means:

12 (1) expenditures to provide scholarships to students  
13 who:

14 (A) enroll in institutions of higher education  
15 located in the authorizing municipality; or

16 (B) are residents of the authorizing  
17 municipality and who enroll at a public junior college located  
18 within the same junior college district service area in which the  
19 authorizing municipality is located; and

20 (2) expenditures to support job training  
21 opportunities offered through an institution of higher education  
22 located in the authorizing municipality.

23 (b) A Type A corporation may contract with a nonprofit  
24 corporation to administer an education and job training project or

1 to assist the corporation with the administration of the project.  
2 The authorizing municipality may designate for the purposes of this  
3 section not more than one-eighth of the tax revenue that the  
4 municipality is entitled to receive from any sales and use tax  
5 adopted under this chapter.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
10 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.