By: Raymond H.B. No. 4542

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the exercise of urban renewal powers by certain

3 counties.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 374.902(b), Local Government Code, is

amended to read as follows:

- 7 (b) A county with a population of more than 193,000 [1.3
- 8 million] may exercise the powers provided for municipalities under
- 9 this chapter with respect to areas of the county that are not within
- 10 the corporate boundaries of a municipality. The county may not
- 11 exercise those powers until the commissioners court of the county
- 12 adopts a resolution in the manner provided by Section 374.011 for
- 13 adoption of a resolution by a municipality. The resolution must be
- 14 approved at an election held in the county in the manner provided
- 15 for a municipal election under Section 374.011. The adoption of the
- 16 resolution is not approved unless a majority of the voters who vote
- 17 on the question in the entire county as well as in each municipality
- 18 in the county approve the adoption of the resolution. In a
- 19 municipality that is only partially located in the affected county,
- 20 only voters who reside in the county may vote.
- 21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 22 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 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.