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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the imposition and rate of the county hotel occupancy
- 3 tax in certain counties.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 352.002, Tax Code, is amended by adding
- 6 Subsection (m) to read as follows:
- 7 (m) A tax imposed by a county that borders the United
- 8 Mexican States and in which there is located a national park of more
- 9 than 400,000 acres does not apply to a hotel located in a
- 10 municipality that imposes a tax under Chapter 351 applicable to the
- 11 hotel.
- SECTION 2. Section 352.003(d), Tax Code, is amended to read
- 13 as follows:
- 14 (d) The tax rate in a county that borders the United Mexican
- 15 States and in which there is located a national park of more than
- 16 400,000 acres [authorized to impose the tax under Section
- 17  $\frac{352.002(a)(12)}{a}$  may not exceed <u>seven</u> [three] percent of the price
- 18 paid for a room in a hotel.
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 23 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.