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S.B. No. 1694

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the designation of a courthouse square or a courthouse  
3 or other real property in a courthouse square as a state  
4 archeological landmark.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 191.097, Natural Resources Code, is  
7 amended by adding Subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

8 (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), the committee shall  
9 remove from designation as a landmark a county courthouse square or  
10 a county courthouse or other real property in a county courthouse  
11 square if:

12 (1) the commissioners court of the county in which the  
13 property is located adopts and submits to the committee a  
14 resolution seeking the removal of the property from designation as  
15 a landmark; and

16 (2) the county in which the property is located has not  
17 received any funds from the committee for the preservation,  
18 restoration, or modification of the property.

19 (d) Following the removal of a landmark designation under  
20 Subsection (c), the committee may not designate as a landmark the  
21 county courthouse square or the county courthouse or other real  
22 property in the county courthouse square unless the commissioners  
23 court of the county in which the property is located adopts a  
24 resolution consenting to the designation.

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