S.B. No. 1778 1-1 By: Harris (In the Senate - Filed March 11, 2009; March 20, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Economic Development; April 22, 2009, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 3, 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 Nays 0; April 22, 2009, sent to printer.) 1-6 1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT relating to the eligibility of property used in connection with a 1-8 data center for economic benefits authorized by the Texas Economic 1-9 1-10 1-11 Development Act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 1-12 SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 313.024, Tax Code, is 1-13 amended to read as follows: 1-14 (b) To be eligible for a limitation on appraised value under 1**-**15 1**-**16 this subchapter, the entity must use the property in connection with: 1-17 manufacturing; (1)1-18 (2) research and development; 1-19 (3) a clean coal project, as defined by Section 5.001, 1-20 1-21 Water Code; (4)an advanced clean energy project, as defined by 1-22 Section 382.003, Health and Safety Code; 1-23 (5) renewable energy electric generation; 1-24 (6) electric power generation using integrated 1**-**25 1**-**26 gasification combined cycle technology; [or] (7) nuclear electric power generation; or 1-27 a data center. (8) SECTION 2. Subsection (e), Section 313.024, Tax Code, is 1-28 amended by adding Subdivision (5) to read as follows:

(5) "Data center" means an establishment primarily engaged in providing electronic data processing and storage services described in categories 518210 and 541513 of the 2007 1-29 1-30 1-31 1-32 North American Industry Classification System. 1-33 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 1-34 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 1-35 1-36 1-37 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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