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S.B. No. 2291

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the creation and support of community development  
3 corporations by the Texas Department of Housing and Community  
4 Affairs.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 2306, Government Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 2306.096 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 2306.096. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION PILOT  
9 PROGRAM. (a) In this section, "community development corporation"  
10 means a private, nonprofit corporation organized to foster economic  
11 growth and revitalization, create small businesses, or develop  
12 affordable housing in a defined neighborhood or for a targeted  
13 population.

14 (b) Using existing resources, the department shall  
15 establish a pilot program to create and provide support for a  
16 regional community development corporation in a single rural area  
17 of this state.

18 (c) Not later than January 1, 2011, the department shall  
19 report to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the  
20 house of representatives, and the members of the legislature  
21 regarding:

22 (1) the impact of the pilot program in the rural area  
23 in which it was implemented; and

24 (2) the feasibility and advisability of creating and

1 supporting additional regional community development corporations  
2 to serve other areas of the state.

3 (d) This section expires October 1, 2011.

4 SECTION 2. Subchapter LL, Chapter 2306, Government Code, is  
5 amended by adding Section 2306.934 to read as follows:

6 Sec. 2306.934. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR  
7 MIGRANT LABOR HOUSING FACILITIES. (a) In this section, "community  
8 development corporation" means a private, nonprofit corporation  
9 organized to foster economic growth and revitalization, create  
10 small businesses, or develop affordable housing in a defined  
11 neighborhood or for a targeted population.

12 (b) Using existing resources, the department shall create a  
13 statewide community development corporation charged with  
14 developing, acquiring, and rehabilitating migrant labor housing  
15 facilities in appropriate areas in the state.

16 (c) The department shall work with the community  
17 development corporation to implement the findings and  
18 recommendations of the department in the report submitted under  
19 Section 2(f), Chapter 60 (H.B. 1099), Acts of the 79th Legislature,  
20 Regular Session, 2005.

21 SECTION 3. The Texas Department of Housing and Community  
22 Affairs shall create the community development corporations  
23 required by this Act as soon as practicable after the effective date  
24 of this Act, but not later than October 1, 2009.

25 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
26 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
27 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.