

Amend **HB 12** on third reading (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Subtitle C, Title 7, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Chapter 247 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 247. CERTAIN PROHIBITIONS APPLYING TO MORE THAN ONE TYPE OF  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Sec. 247.001. PROHIBITION AGAINST REGULATING RESIDENTIAL  
TENANCIES BASED ON IMMIGRATION STATUS. (a) A political  
subdivision may not adopt a rule, order, ordinance, or policy under  
which the political subdivision requires a landlord to:

(1) refuse to lease to a prospective tenant or renew  
the lease of a tenant solely on the basis of the immigration status  
of the tenant or a member of the tenant's family; or

(2) inquire as to the immigration status of a tenant or  
prospective tenant or a member of the tenant's family.

(b) To the extent the prohibition imposed by Subsection (a)  
conflicts with common law, another state statute, or a local rule,  
order, ordinance, or policy, the prohibition in Subsection (a)  
prevails.