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H.B. No. 55

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the use of the Texas Enterprise Fund for veterans
3 hospitals.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 481.078, Government Code, is amended by
6 amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d-1) to read as
7 follows:

8 (c) Except as provided by Subsections [~~Subsection~~] (d) and
9 (d-1), the fund may be used only for economic development,
10 infrastructure development, community development, job training
11 programs, and business incentives.

12 (d-1) The fund may be used for the establishment,
13 maintenance, or operation of veterans hospitals in this state.
14 Subsections (e-1), (f), (g), (h), (i), and (j) and Section 481.080
15 do not apply to a grant awarded for a purpose specified by this
16 subsection.

17 SECTION 2. Section 481.079, Government Code, is amended by
18 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

19 (a-1) For grants awarded for a purpose specified by Section
20 481.078(d-1), the report must include only the amount and purpose
21 of each grant.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
24 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, 2011.