By: Gonzalez H.B. No. 1090

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the calculation of interest on certain ad valorem tax

3 refunds.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 42.43(b), Tax Code, is amended to read as

6 follows:

- 7 (b) For a refund made under this section [because an
- 8 exemption under Section 11.20 that was denied by the chief

9 appraiser or appraisal review board is granted], the taxing unit

10 shall include with the refund interest on the amount refunded

11 calculated at an annual rate that is equal to the auction average

12 rate quoted on a bank discount basis for three-month treasury bills

13 issued by the United States government, as published by the Federal

14 Reserve Board, for the week in which the taxes became delinquent,

15 but not more than 10 percent, calculated from the delinquency date

16 for the taxes until the date the refund is made. [For any other

17 refund made under this section, the taxing unit shall include with

18 the refund interest on the amount refunded at an annual rate of

19 eight percent, calculated from the delinquency date for the taxes

20 until the date the refund is made.

21 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only

22 to the rate of interest on a tax refund that accrues on or after the

23 effective date of this Act. The rate of interest on a tax refund

24 that accrued before the effective date of this Act is determined by

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- 1 the law in effect when the interest accrued, and that law is
- 2 continued in effect for that purpose.
- 3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.