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H.B. No. 2414

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the continuation of the Healthy Food Advisory Committee.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 1(f) and (g), Chapter 730 (S.B. 343), Acts of the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, are amended to read as follows:

(f) The advisory committee shall:

(1) investigate the retail availability of fresh fruits and vegetables and other healthy foods in this state;

(2) investigate sources of funding for improving the retail availability of fresh fruits and vegetables and other healthy foods in this state, including programs and grants administered by the federal government and nongovernmental organizations;

(3) develop recommendations for creating and a plan for implementing a statewide financing program to bring fresh food retailers into areas of this state that are underserved in regard to the retail availability of fresh fruits and vegetables and other healthy foods; and

(4) [~~3~~] perform other advisory duties as requested by the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission or the commissioner of the Department of Agriculture regarding the availability of fresh fruits and vegetables and other

1 healthy foods in this state.

2 (g) Not later than September 1, 2012 [~~2010~~], the advisory
3 committee shall submit to the legislature a report that includes
4 [~~outlining~~]:

5 (1) a statement of the costs, benefits, and
6 feasibility of a statewide financing program to bring fresh food
7 retailers into areas of this state that are underserved in regard to
8 the retail availability of fresh fruits and vegetables and other
9 healthy foods; [~~and~~]

10 (2) a list of possible sources of funding for the
11 financing program; and

12 (3) a plan for implementing the financing program.

13 SECTION 2. Section 3, Chapter 730 (S.B. 343), Acts of the
14 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, is amended to read as
15 follows:

16 SECTION 3. EXPIRATION. The advisory committee established
17 under this Act is abolished and this Act expires September 1, 2013
18 [~~2011~~].

19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.