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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to the responsibilities of the comptroller and school
- 3 districts in the implementation of the Texas Economic Development
- 4 Act.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 313.004, Tax Code, is amended to read as
- 7 follows:
- 8 Sec. 313.004. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the
- 9 legislature in enacting this chapter that:
- 10 (1) economic development decisions should occur at the
- 11 state [local] level with local approval and be consistent with
- 12 identifiable statewide economic development goals;
- 13 (2) this chapter should not be construed or
- 14 interpreted to allow:
- 15 (A) property owners to pool investments to create
- 16 sufficiently large investments to qualify for an ad valorem tax
- 17 benefit or financial benefit provided by this chapter;
- 18 (B) an applicant for an ad valorem tax benefit or
- 19 financial benefit provided by this chapter to assert that jobs will
- 20 be eliminated if certain investments are not made if the assertion
- 21 is not true; or
- (C) a sole proprietorship, partnership, or
- 23 limited liability partnership to receive an ad valorem tax benefit
- 24 or financial benefit provided by this chapter; and

- 1 (3) in implementing this chapter, the comptroller
- 2 [school districts] should:
- 3 (A) strictly interpret the criteria and
- 4 selection guidelines provided by this chapter; and
- 5 (B) approve only those applications for an ad
- 6 valorem tax benefit or financial benefit provided by this chapter
- 7 that:
- 8 (i) enhance the local community;
- 9 (ii) improve the local public education
- 10 system;
- 11 (iii) create high-paying jobs; and
- 12 (iv) advance the economic development goals
- 13 of this state as identified by the Texas Strategic Economic
- 14 Development Planning Commission.
- SECTION 2. Section 313.021(4), Tax Code, is amended to read
- 16 as follows:
- 17 (4) "Qualifying time period" means:
- 18 (A) the period that begins on the date that a
- 19 person's application for a limitation on appraised value under this
- 20 subchapter is approved by the comptroller [governing body of the
- 21 school district] and ends on December 31 of the second tax year that
- 22 begins after that date, except as provided by Paragraph (B) or (C)
- 23 of this subdivision or Section 313.027(h);
- 24 (B) in connection with a nuclear electric power
- 25 generation facility, the first seven tax years that begin on or
- 26 after the third anniversary of the date the comptroller [school
- 27 district approves the property owner's application for a

- 1 limitation on appraised value under this subchapter, unless a
- 2 shorter time period is agreed to by the <a href="comptroller">comptroller</a> [governing body
- 3 of the school district] and the property owner; or
- 4 (C) in connection with an advanced clean energy
- 5 project, as defined by Section 382.003, Health and Safety Code, the
- 6 first five tax years that begin on or after the third anniversary of
- 7 the date the comptroller [school district] approves the property
- 8 owner's application for a limitation on appraised value under this
- 9 subchapter, unless a shorter time period is agreed to by the
- 10 comptroller [governing body of the school district] and the
- 11 property owner.
- 12 SECTION 3. Section 313.025, Tax Code, is amended by
- 13 amending Subsections (a), (a-1), (b), (b-1), (c), (d), (d-1), (e),
- 14 (f), (f-1), (g), and (i) and adding Subsections (j) and (k) to read
- 15 as follows:
- 16 (a) The owner or lessee of, or the holder of another
- 17 possessory interest in, any qualified property described by Section
- 18 313.021(2)(A), (B), or (C) may apply to the comptroller [governing
- 19 body of the school district in which the property is located] for a
- 20 limitation on the appraised value for school district maintenance
- 21 and operations ad valorem tax purposes of the person's qualified
- 22 property. An application must be made on the form prescribed by the
- 23 comptroller and include the information required by the
- 24 comptroller, and it must be accompanied by:
- 25 (1) the application fee established by the comptroller
- 26 [governing body of the school district];
- 27 (2) information sufficient to show that the real and

- 1 personal property identified in the application as qualified
- 2 property meets the applicable criteria established by Section
- 3 313.021(2); and
- 4 (3) information relating to each applicable criterion
- 5 listed in Section 313.026.
- 6 (a-1) Within seven days of the receipt of each document, the
- 7 <u>comptroller</u> [school district] shall submit to the governing body of
- 8 the school district in which the property is located [comptroller]
- 9 a copy of the application and  $\underline{any proposed}$  [the] agreement between
- 10 the applicant and the comptroller [school district]. If an
- 11 economic analysis of the proposed project is submitted to the
- 12 comptroller [school district], the comptroller [district] shall
- 13 submit a copy of the analysis to the school district [comptroller].
- 14 In addition, the comptroller [school district] shall submit to the
- 15 <u>school district</u> [comptroller] any subsequent revision of or
- 16 amendment to any of those documents within seven days of its
- 17 receipt. The comptroller shall publish each document received
- 18 [ $\frac{\text{from the school district}}{\text{on the subsection on the }}$
- 19 comptroller's Internet website. If the school district maintains a
- 20 generally accessible Internet website, the district shall provide
- 21 on its website a link to the location of those documents posted on
- 22 the comptroller's website in compliance with this subsection. This
- 23 subsection does not require the comptroller to post information
- 24 that is confidential under Section 313.028.
- 25 (b) [The governing body of a school district is not required
- 26 to consider an application for a limitation on appraised value that
- 27 is filed with the governing body under Subsection (a). If the

governing body of the school district does elect to consider an 1 application, the governing body shall deliver three copies of the 2 application to the comptroller and request that the comptroller 3 provide an economic impact evaluation of the application to the 4 school district.] Except as provided by Subsection (b-1), the 5 comptroller shall conduct or contract with a third person to 6 conduct an economic impact [the] evaluation of the application, 7 which shall be completed and provided to the governing body of the 8 school district as soon as practicable. The governing body shall 9 10 provide to the comptroller or third person any requested information. A methodology to allow comparisons of economic impact 11 for different schedules of the addition of qualified investment or 12 qualified property may be developed as part of the economic impact 13 14 evaluation. The comptroller [governing body] shall provide a copy 15 of the evaluation to the applicant on request. [The comptroller may charge and collect a fee sufficient to cover the costs of providing 16 17 the economic impact evaluation.] The comptroller [governing body of a school district] shall approve or disapprove an application 18 19 before the 151st day after the date the application is filed, unless the recommendation of the governing body [economic impact 20 evaluation] has not been received or an extension is agreed to by 21 the comptroller [governing body] and the applicant. 22

23 (b-1) The comptroller shall indicate on <u>a</u> [one] copy of the 24 application the date the comptroller received the application and 25 deliver that copy to the Texas Education Agency. The Texas 26 Education Agency shall determine the effect that the applicant's 27 proposal will have on the number or size of the school district's

- instructional facilities, as required to be included in the 1 economic impact evaluation bу Section 313.026(a)(12) 2 [313.026(a)(9)], and submit a written report containing the 3 agency's determination to the comptroller. The governing body of 4 5 the school district shall provide any requested information to the Texas Education Agency. Not later than the 45th day after the date 6 the application indicates that the comptroller received the 7 8 application, the Texas Education Agency shall make the required determination and submit the agency's written report to the 9 comptroller. A third person contracted by the comptroller to 10 conduct an economic impact evaluation of an application is not 11 required to make a determination that the Texas Education Agency is 12 required to make and report to the comptroller under this 13 14 subsection.
- 15 (c) In determining whether to grant an application, the
  16 <u>comptroller</u> [<del>governing body of the school district</del>] is entitled to
  17 request and receive assistance from:
- 18 (1) the <u>governing body of the school district</u>
  19 [<del>comptroller</del>];
- 20 (2) the Texas [Department of] Economic Development and 21 Tourism Office;
- 22 (3) the Texas Workforce Investment Council; and
- 23 (4) the Texas Workforce Commission.
- (d) Before the <u>46th day</u> [<del>91st day</del>] after the date the <u>school</u>

  25 <u>district</u> [<del>comptroller</del>] receives the <u>economic impact evaluation</u>

  26 [<del>copy of the application</del>], the <u>governing body of the district</u>

  27 [<del>comptroller</del>] shall submit a recommendation to the comptroller

- 1 [governing body of the school district] as to whether the
- 2 application should be approved or disapproved.
- 3 (d-1) The comptroller [governing body of a school district]
- 4 may approve an application [that the comptroller has recommended
- 5 should be disapproved] only if[+
- 6 [<del>(1)</del>] the governing body of the school district
- 7 recommends that the application be approved [holds a public hearing
- 8 the sole purpose of which is to consider the application and the
- 9 comptroller's recommendation; and
- 10 [(2) at a subsequent meeting of the governing body
- 11 held after the date of the public hearing, at least two-thirds of
- 12 the members of the governing body vote to approve the application].
- 13 (e) Before approving or disapproving an application under
- 14 this subchapter [that the governing body elects to consider], the
- 15 <u>comptroller</u> [<del>governing body of the school district</del>] must make a
- 16 written finding as to each criterion listed in Section 313.026. The
- 17 comptroller [governing body] shall deliver a copy of those findings
- 18 to the school district and the applicant.
- 19 (f) The comptroller [governing body] may approve an
- 20 application only if the <a href="comptroller">comptroller</a> [governing body] finds that the
- 21 information in the application is true and correct, finds under
- 22 Subsection (h) that the applicant is eligible for the limitation on
- 23 the appraised value of the person's qualified property, and
- 24 determines that granting the application is in the best interest of
- 25 the school district and this state.
- 26 (f-1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter
- 27 to the contrary, including Section 313.003(2) or 313.004(3)(A) or

- 1 (B)(iii), the comptroller [governing body of a school district] may
- 2 waive the new jobs creation requirement in Section
- 3 313.021(2)(A)(iv)(b) or 313.051(b) and approve an application if
- 4 the comptroller [governing body] makes a finding that the jobs
- 5 creation requirement exceeds the industry standard for the number
- 6 of employees reasonably necessary for the operation of the facility
- 7 of the property owner that is described in the application.
- 8 (g) The Texas [Department of] Economic Development and
- 9 Tourism Office or its successor may recommend that the comptroller
- 10 [a school district] grant a person a limitation on appraised value
- 11 under this chapter. In determining whether to grant an
- 12 application, the comptroller [governing body of the school
- 13 district] shall consider any recommendation made by the Texas
- 14 [Department of] Economic Development and Tourism Office or its
- 15 successor.
- 16 (i) If the comptroller's determination under Subsection (h)
- 17 that the property does not meet the requirements of Section 313.024
- 18 for eligibility for a limitation on appraised value under this
- 19 subchapter becomes final, the comptroller is not required to
- 20 conduct [provide] an economic impact evaluation of the application,
- 21 the governing body of the school district is not required [or] to
- 22 submit a recommendation to the comptroller [school district] as to
- 23 whether the application should be approved or disapproved, and the
- 24 comptroller [governing body of the school district] may not grant
- 25 the application.
- 26 (j) Unless Subsection (i) applies, if the governing body of
- 27 the school district submits a recommendation to the comptroller

- 1 that the comptroller approve the application and the comptroller
- 2 disapproves the application, the governing body of the school
- 3 district may approve the application if:
- 4 (1) the property owner requests that the governing
- 5 body approve the application;
- 6 (2) the governing body holds a public hearing the sole
- 7 purpose of which is to consider the application and the
- 8 comptroller's disapproval of the application; and
- 9 (3) at a subsequent meeting of the governing body held
- 10 after the date of the public hearing, at least two-thirds of the
- 11 members of the governing body vote to approve the application.
- 12 (k) If the governing body of the school district approves
- 13 the application under Subsection (j), the governing body of the
- 14 school district and the property owner shall enter into a written
- 15 agreement for the implementation of a limitation on appraised value
- 16 for school district maintenance and operations ad valorem tax
- 17 purposes of the owner's qualified property. The provisions of this
- 18 subchapter governing an agreement between the comptroller and the
- 19 property owner apply to an agreement between the governing body of
- 20 the school district and the property owner.
- SECTION 4. Section 313.026, Tax Code, is amended to read as
- 22 follows:
- Sec. 313.026. ECONOMIC IMPACT EVALUATION. (a) The
- 24 economic impact evaluation of the application must include the
- 25 following:
- 26 (1) [the recommendations of the comptroller;
- 27  $\left[\frac{(2)}{2}\right]$  the name of the school district;

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1 (2) [(3)] the name of the applicant;
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- 2 (3)  $\left[\frac{(4)}{(4)}\right]$  the general nature of the applicant's
- 3 investment;
- 4 (4) (4) (5) the relationship between the applicant's
- 5 industry and the types of qualifying jobs to be created by the
- 6 applicant to the long-term economic growth plans of this state as
- 7 described in the strategic plan for economic development submitted
- 8 by the Texas Strategic Economic Development Planning Commission
- 9 under Section 481.033, Government Code, as that section existed
- 10 before February 1, 1999;
- 11 (5) (6) the relative level of the applicant's
- 12 investment per qualifying job to be created by the applicant;
- (6)  $[\frac{(7)}{}]$  the number of qualifying jobs to be created
- 14 by the applicant;
- 15  $\underline{(7)}$  [(8)] the wages, salaries, and benefits to be
- 16 offered by the applicant to qualifying job holders;
- (8)  $[\frac{(9)}{(9)}]$  the ability of the applicant to locate or
- 18 relocate in another state or another region of this state;
- (9)  $[\frac{(10)}{(10)}]$  the impact the project will have on this
- 20 state and individual local units of government, including:
- 21 (A) tax and other revenue gains, direct or
- 22 indirect, that would be realized during the qualifying time period,
- 23 the limitation period, and a period of time after the limitation
- 24 period considered appropriate by the comptroller; and
- 25 (B) economic effects of the project, including
- 26 the impact on jobs and income, during the qualifying time period,
- 27 the limitation period, and a period of time after the limitation

- 1 period considered appropriate by the comptroller;
- 2 (10)  $[\frac{(11)}{(11)}]$  the economic condition of the region of
- 3 the state at the time the person's application is being considered;
- 4 (11)  $\left[\frac{(12)}{(12)}\right]$  the number of new facilities built or
- 5 expanded in the region during the two years preceding the date of
- 6 the application that were eligible to apply for a limitation on
- 7 appraised value under this subchapter;
- 8 (12) [<del>(13)</del>] the effect of the applicant's proposal, if
- 9 approved, on the number or size of the school district's
- 10 instructional facilities, as defined by Section 46.001, Education
- 11 Code;
- 12 (13)  $[\frac{(14)}{}]$  the projected market value of the
- 13 qualified property of the applicant as determined by the
- 14 comptroller;
- 15  $\underline{(14)}$  [(15)] the proposed limitation on appraised
- 16 value for the qualified property of the applicant;
- 17 (15)  $\left[\frac{(16)}{(16)}\right]$  the projected dollar amount of the taxes
- 18 that would be imposed on the qualified property, for each year of
- 19 the agreement, if the property does not receive a limitation on
- 20 appraised value with assumptions of the projected appreciation or
- 21 depreciation of the investment and projected tax rates clearly
- 22 stated;
- 23  $\underline{\text{(16)}}$  [\frac{(17)}{}] the projected dollar amount of the taxes
- 24 that would be imposed on the qualified property, for each tax year
- 25 of the agreement, if the property receives a limitation on
- 26 appraised value with assumptions of the projected appreciation or
- 27 depreciation of the investment clearly stated;

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- 1 (17) (18) the projected effect on the Foundation
- 2 School Program of payments to the district for each year of the
- 3 agreement;
- 4 (18)  $[\frac{(19)}{(19)}]$  the projected future tax credits if the
- 5 applicant also applies for school tax credits under Section
- 6 313.103; and
- 7 (19)  $\left[\frac{(20)}{(20)}\right]$  the total amount of taxes projected to be
- 8 lost or gained by the district over the life of the agreement
- 9 computed by subtracting the projected taxes stated in Subdivision
- 10 (16) [(17)] from the projected taxes stated in Subdivision (15)
- 11  $[\frac{(16)}{}]$ .
- 12 (b) The comptroller's determination [recommendations]
- 13 shall be based on the criteria listed in Subsections (a)(4)-(19)
- $[\frac{(a)(5)-(20)}{(a)(a)(a)(a)(a)(a)}]$  and on any other information available to the
- 15 comptroller, including information provided by the governing body
- 16 of the school district under Section 313.025(b).
- SECTION 5. Section 313.0265(c), Tax Code, is amended to
- 18 read as follows:
- 19 (c) If a school district maintains a generally accessible
- 20 Internet website, the district shall maintain a link on its
- 21 Internet website to the area of the comptroller's Internet website
- 22 where information on each of the [district's] agreements to limit
- 23 appraised value entered into by the comptroller on behalf of the
- 24 district is maintained.
- 25 SECTION 6. Sections 313.027(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f),
- 26 (h), and (i), Tax Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 27 (a) If the person's application is approved by the

- 1 <u>comptroller</u> [governing body of the school district], for each of
- 2 the first eight tax years that begin after the applicable
- 3 qualifying time period, the appraised value for school district
- 4 maintenance and operations ad valorem tax purposes of the person's
- 5 qualified property as described in the agreement between the person
- 6 and the comptroller [district] entered into under this section in
- 7 the school district may not exceed the lesser of:
- 8 (1) the market value of the property; or
- 9 (2) subject to Subsection (b), the amount agreed to by
  10 the <u>comptroller</u> [<del>governing body of the school district</del>].
- (b) The amount agreed to by the <u>comptroller</u> [<del>governing body</del>]

  12 <del>of a school district</del>] under Subsection (a)(2) must be an amount in

  13 accordance with the following, according to the category

established by Section 313.022 to which the school district

15 belongs:

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| 16 | CATEGORY | MINIMUM AMOUNT OF LIMITATION |
|----|----------|------------------------------|
| 17 | I        | \$100 million                |

- 18 II \$80 million
- 19 III \$60 million
- 20 IV \$40 million
- V \$20 million
- (c) The limitation amounts listed in Subsection (b) are
- 23 minimum amounts. The comptroller [A school district], regardless
- 24 of the category of the school district, may agree to a greater
- 25 amount than those amounts.
- 26 (d) The comptroller [governing body of the school district]
- 27 and the property owner shall enter into a written agreement for the

- 1 implementation of the limitation on appraised value under this
- 2 subchapter on the owner's qualified property. The agreement and
- 3 any amendment to the agreement must be approved by the governing
- 4 body of the school district.
- 5 (e) The agreement must describe with specificity the
- 6 qualified investment that the person will make on or in connection
- 7 with the person's qualified property that is subject to the
- 8 limitation on appraised value under this subchapter. Other
- 9 property of the person that is not specifically described in the
- 10 agreement is not subject to the limitation unless the <a href="comptroller">comptroller</a>
- 11 [governing body of the school district], by official action,
- 12 provides that the other property is subject to the limitation.
- 13 (f) In addition, the agreement:
- 14 (1) must incorporate each relevant provision of this
- 15 subchapter and, to the extent necessary, include provisions for the
- 16 protection of future school district revenues through the
- 17 adjustment of the minimum valuations, the payment of revenue
- 18 offsets, and other mechanisms agreed to by the property owner and
- 19 the comptroller [school district];
- 20 (2) may provide that the property owner will protect
- 21 the school district in the event the district incurs extraordinary
- 22 education-related expenses related to the project that are not
- 23 directly funded in state aid formulas, including expenses for the
- 24 purchase of portable classrooms and the hiring of additional
- 25 personnel to accommodate a temporary increase in student enrollment
- 26 attributable to the project;
- 27 (3) must require the property owner to maintain a

- 1 viable presence in the school district for at least three years
- 2 after the date the limitation on appraised value of the owner's
- 3 property expires;
- 4 (4) must provide for the termination of the agreement,
- 5 the recapture of ad valorem tax revenue lost as a result of the
- 6 agreement if the owner of the property fails to comply with the
- 7 terms of the agreement, and payment of a penalty or interest, or
- 8 both, on that recaptured ad valorem tax revenue;
- 9 (5) may specify any conditions the occurrence of which
- 10 will require the comptroller [district] and the property owner to
- 11 renegotiate all or any part of the agreement; and
- 12 (6) must specify the ad valorem tax years covered by
- 13 the agreement.
- 14 (h) The agreement between the comptroller [governing body
- 15 of the school district] and the applicant may provide for a deferral
- 16 of the date on which the qualifying time period for the project is
- 17 to commence or, subsequent to the date the agreement is entered
- 18 into, be amended to provide for such a deferral. This subsection
- 19 may not be construed to permit a qualifying time period that has
- 20 commenced to continue for more than the number of years applicable
- 21 to the project under Section 313.021(4).
- (i) A person and the comptroller [school district] may not
- 23 enter into an agreement under which the person agrees to provide
- 24 supplemental payments to a school district in an amount that
- 25 exceeds an amount equal to \$100 per student per year in average
- 26 daily attendance, as defined by Section 42.005, Education Code, or
- 27 for a period that exceeds the period beginning with the period

- 1 described by Section 313.021(4) and ending with the period
- 2 described by Section 313.104(2)(B) of this code. This limit does
- 3 not apply to amounts described by Subsection (f)(1) or (2) of this
- 4 section.
- 5 SECTION 7. Section 313.0275(a), Tax Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to
- 8 the contrary, a person with whom  $\underline{\text{the comptroller}}$  [ $\underline{\text{a school}}$
- 9 district] enters into an agreement under this subchapter must make
- 10 the minimum amount of qualified investment during the qualifying
- 11 time period and create the required number of qualifying jobs
- 12 during each year of the agreement.
- SECTION 8. Section 313.028, Tax Code, is amended to read as
- 14 follows:
- 15 Sec. 313.028. CERTAIN BUSINESS INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL.
- 16 Information provided to a school district or the comptroller in
- 17 connection with an application for a limitation on appraised value
- 18 under this subchapter that describes the specific processes or
- 19 business activities to be conducted or the specific tangible
- 20 personal property to be located on real property covered by the
- 21 application shall be segregated in the application from other
- 22 information in the application and is confidential and not subject
- 23 to public disclosure unless the comptroller [governing body of the
- 24 school district] approves the application. Other information in
- 25 the custody of a school district or the comptroller in connection
- 26 with the application, including information related to the economic
- 27 impact of a project or the essential elements of eligibility under

- 1 this chapter, such as the nature and amount of the projected
- 2 investment, employment, wages, and benefits, may not be considered
- 3 confidential business information if the <u>comptroller</u> [<del>governing</del>
- 4 body of the school district] agrees to consider the application.
- 5 Information in the custody of a school district or the comptroller
- 6 if the comptroller [governing body] approves the application is not
- 7 confidential under this section.
- 8 SECTION 9. Section 313.031(b), Tax Code, is amended to read
- 9 as follows:
- 10 (b) The <u>comptroller</u> [<del>governing body of a school district</del>] by
- 11 official action shall establish reasonable nonrefundable
- 12 application fees to be paid by property owners who apply to the
- 13 comptroller [district] for a limitation on the appraised value of
- 14 the person's property under this subchapter. The amount of an
- 15 application fee must be reasonable and may not exceed the estimated
- 16 cost to the <u>comptroller</u> [<u>district</u>] of processing and acting on an
- 17 application, including the cost of the economic impact evaluation
- 18 required by Sections 313.025 and 313.026.
- 19 SECTION 10. Section 313.051(b), Tax Code, is amended to
- 20 read as follows:
- 21 (b) The comptroller [governing body of a school district to
- 22 which this subchapter applies may enter into an agreement on
- 23 behalf of a school district to which this subchapter applies in the
- 24 same manner as the comptroller may enter into an agreement on behalf
- of a school district to which Subchapter B applies [may do so] under
- 26 Subchapter B, subject to Sections 313.052-313.054. Except as
- 27 otherwise provided by this subchapter, the provisions of Subchapter

- 1 B apply to a school district to which this subchapter applies. For
- 2 purposes of this subchapter, a property owner is required to create
- 3 only at least 10 new jobs on the owner's qualified property. At
- 4 least 80 percent of all the new jobs created must be qualifying jobs
- 5 as defined by Section 313.021(3), except that, for a school
- 6 district described by Subsection (a)(2), each qualifying job must
- 7 pay at least 110 percent of the average weekly wage for
- 8 manufacturing jobs in the region designated for the regional
- 9 planning commission, council of governments, or similar regional
- 10 planning agency created under Chapter 391, Local Government Code,
- 11 in which the district is located.
- 12 SECTION 11. Section 313.054, Tax Code, is amended to read as
- 13 follows:
- 14 Sec. 313.054. LIMITATION ON APPRAISED VALUE. (a) For a
- 15 school district to which this subchapter applies, the amount agreed
- 16 to by the <u>comptroller</u> [<del>governing body of the district</del>] under
- 17 Section 313.027(a)(2) must be an amount in accordance with the
- 18 following, according to the category established by Section 313.052
- 19 to which the school district belongs:

| 20 | CATEGORY | MINIMUM AMOUNT OF LIMITATION |
|----|----------|------------------------------|
| 21 | I        | \$30 million                 |
| 22 | II       | \$20 million                 |
| 23 | III      | \$10 million                 |
| 24 | IV       | \$5 million                  |
| 25 | V        | \$1 million                  |

- 26 (b) The limitation amounts listed in Subsection (a) are
- 27 minimum amounts. The comptroller [A school district], regardless

- 1 of the category of the school district, may agree to a greater
- 2 amount than those amounts.
- 3 SECTION 12. Section 313.102(a), Tax Code, is amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 (a) In addition to the limitation on the appraised value of
- 6 the person's qualified property under Subchapter B or C, a person is
- 7 entitled to a tax credit from the school district on behalf of which
- 8 the comptroller [that] approved the limitation in an amount equal
- 9 to the amount of ad valorem taxes paid to that school district that
- 10 were imposed on the portion of the appraised value of the qualified
- 11 property that exceeds the amount of the limitation agreed to by the
- 12 comptroller [governing body of the school district] under Section
- $13 \ 313.027(a)(2)$  in each year in the applicable qualifying time
- 14 period.
- 15 SECTION 13. Section 403.302(d), Government Code, as amended
- 16 by Chapters 1186 (H.B. 3676) and 1328 (H.B. 3646), Acts of the 81st
- 17 Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, is reenacted and amended to
- 18 read as follows:
- 19 (d) For the purposes of this section, "taxable value" means
- 20 the market value of all taxable property less:
- 21 (1) the total dollar amount of any residence homestead
- 22 exemptions lawfully granted under Section 11.13(b) or (c), Tax
- 23 Code, in the year that is the subject of the study for each school
- 24 district;
- 25 (2) one-half of the total dollar amount of any
- 26 residence homestead exemptions granted under Section 11.13(n), Tax
- 27 Code, in the year that is the subject of the study for each school

- 1 district;
- 2 (3) the total dollar amount of any exemptions granted
- 3 before May 31, 1993, within a reinvestment zone under agreements
- 4 authorized by Chapter 312, Tax Code;
- 5 (4) subject to Subsection (e), the total dollar amount
- 6 of any captured appraised value of property that:
- 7 (A) is within a reinvestment zone created on or
- 8 before May 31, 1999, or is proposed to be included within the
- 9 boundaries of a reinvestment zone as the boundaries of the zone and
- 10 the proposed portion of tax increment paid into the tax increment
- 11 fund by a school district are described in a written notification
- 12 provided by the municipality or the board of directors of the zone
- 13 to the governing bodies of the other taxing units in the manner
- 14 provided by Section 311.003(e), Tax Code, before May 31, 1999, and
- 15 within the boundaries of the zone as those boundaries existed on
- 16 September 1, 1999, including subsequent improvements to the
- 17 property regardless of when made;
- 18 (B) generates taxes paid into a tax increment
- 19 fund created under Chapter 311, Tax Code, under a reinvestment zone
- 20 financing plan approved under Section 311.011(d), Tax Code, on or
- 21 before September 1, 1999; and
- (C) is eligible for tax increment financing under
- 23 Chapter 311, Tax Code;
- 24 (5) the total dollar amount of any captured appraised
- 25 value of property that:
- 26 (A) is within a reinvestment zone:
- (i) created on or before December 31, 2008,

- 1 by a municipality with a population of less than 18,000; and
- 2 (ii) the project plan for which includes
- 3 the alteration, remodeling, repair, or reconstruction of a
- 4 structure that is included on the National Register of Historic
- 5 Places and requires that a portion of the tax increment of the zone
- 6 be used for the improvement or construction of related facilities
- 7 or for affordable housing;
- 8 (B) generates school district taxes that are paid
- 9 into a tax increment fund created under Chapter 311, Tax Code; and
- 10 (C) is eligible for tax increment financing under
- 11 Chapter 311, Tax Code;
- 12 (6) the total dollar amount of any exemptions granted
- 13 under Section 11.251 or 11.253, Tax Code;
- 14 (7) the difference between the comptroller's estimate
- 15 of the market value and the productivity value of land that
- 16 qualifies for appraisal on the basis of its productive capacity,
- 17 except that the productivity value estimated by the comptroller may
- 18 not exceed the fair market value of the land;
- 19 (8) the portion of the appraised value of residence
- 20 homesteads of individuals who receive a tax limitation under
- 21 Section 11.26, Tax Code, on which school district taxes are not
- 22 imposed in the year that is the subject of the study, calculated as
- 23 if the residence homesteads were appraised at the full value
- 24 required by law;
- 25 (9) a portion of the market value of property not
- 26 otherwise fully taxable by the district at market value because of:
- 27 (A) action required by statute or the

- 1 constitution of this state that, if the tax rate adopted by the
- 2 district is applied to it, produces an amount equal to the
- 3 difference between the tax that the district would have imposed on
- 4 the property if the property were fully taxable at market value and
- 5 the tax that the district is actually authorized to impose on the
- 6 property, if this subsection does not otherwise require that
- 7 portion to be deducted; or
- 8 (B) action taken by the district or by the
- 9 comptroller on behalf of the district under Subchapter B or C,
- 10 Chapter 313, Tax Code, before the expiration of the subchapter;
- 11 (10) the market value of all tangible personal
- 12 property, other than manufactured homes, owned by a family or
- 13 individual and not held or used for the production of income;
- 14 (11) the appraised value of property the collection of
- 15 delinquent taxes on which is deferred under Section 33.06, Tax
- 16 Code;
- 17 (12) the portion of the appraised value of property
- 18 the collection of delinquent taxes on which is deferred under
- 19 Section 33.065, Tax Code; and
- 20 (13) the amount by which the market value of a
- 21 residence homestead to which Section 23.23, Tax Code, applies
- 22 exceeds the appraised value of that property as calculated under
- 23 that section.
- SECTION 14. Section 403.302(m), Government Code, as added
- 25 by Chapter 1186 (H.B. 3676), Acts of the 81st Legislature, Regular
- 26 Session, 2009, is amended to conform to Section 80, Chapter 1328
- 27 (H.B. 3646), Acts of the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009:

- 1 (m) Subsection (d)(9) [(d)(10)] does not apply to property
- 2 that was the subject of an application under Subchapter B or C,
- 3 Chapter 313, Tax Code, made after May 1, 2009, that the comptroller
- 4 recommended should be disapproved.
- 5 SECTION 15. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
- 6 over another Act of the 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011,
- 7 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
- 8 codes.
- 9 SECTION 16. Chapter 313, Tax Code, as amended by this Act,
- 10 applies only to an application filed under that chapter on or after
- 11 the effective date of this Act. An application filed under that
- 12 chapter before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law
- 13 in effect on the date the application was filed, and the former law
- 14 is continued in effect for that purpose.
- 15 SECTION 17. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.