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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the rebate, refund, or payment of tax proceeds to a

- 3 qualified hotel project.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 2303.5055, Government Code, is amended
- 6 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (f) to read as
- 7 follows:
- 8 (a) For a period that may not exceed 10 years, a
- 9 governmental body, including the state or a municipality, county,
- 10 or political subdivision of this state, may agree to rebate,
- 11 refund, or pay eligible taxable proceeds to the owner of a qualified
- 12 hotel project at which the eligible taxable proceeds were
- 13 generated.
- 14 (f) Notwithstanding any other law, the comptroller shall
- 15 deposit eligible taxable proceeds that were collected by or
- 16 forwarded to the comptroller in relation to a qualified hotel
- 17 project and to which the project is entitled in trust in a separate
- 18 suspense account of the project. A suspense account is outside the
- 19 state treasury, and the comptroller may make a rebate, refund, or
- 20 payment authorized by this section without the necessity of an
- 21 appropriation. The comptroller shall rebate, refund, or pay to
- 22 each qualified hotel project the hotel occupancy taxes and sales
- 23 and use taxes to which the project is entitled under this section at
- 24 least monthly. The comptroller shall rebate, refund, or pay mixed

- 1 beverage taxes at least quarterly.
- 2 SECTION 2. Section 151.429(h), Tax Code, is amended to read
- 3 as follows:
- 4 (h) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section,
- 5 the owner of a qualified hotel project shall receive a rebate,
- 6 refund, or payment of 100 percent of the sales and use taxes paid or
- 7 collected by the qualified hotel project or businesses located in
- 8 the qualified hotel project pursuant to this chapter and 100
- 9 percent of the hotel occupancy taxes paid by persons for the use or
- 10 possession of or for the right to the use or possession of a room or
- 11 space at the qualified hotel project pursuant to the provisions of
- 12 Chapter 156 during the first 10 years after such qualified hotel
- 13 project is open for initial occupancy. The comptroller shall
- 14 deposit and rebate, refund, or pay the taxes described by this
- 15 <u>subsection as provided by Section 2303.5055(f), Government Code.</u>
- SECTION 3. Section 351.102, Tax Code, is amended by adding
- 17 Subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 18 (d) The comptroller shall deposit and rebate, refund, or pay
- 19 the taxes described by Subsection (c) that are collected by or
- 20 forwarded to the comptroller as provided by Section 2303.5055(f),
- 21 Government Code.
- 22 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.