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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to liability of a political subdivision for a violation of
- 3 certain laws relating to local permits.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 245.006, Local Government Code, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 245.006. ENFORCEMENT OF CHAPTER. (a) This chapter
- 8 may be enforced [only] through mandamus or declaratory or
- 9 injunctive relief.
- 10 (b) A political subdivision's immunity from suit is waived
- 11 in regard to an action under this chapter. A political subdivision
- 12 <u>is liable for damages related to a violation of this chapter.</u>
- 13 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 14 to a cause of action that accrues on or after the effective date of
- 15 this Act. A cause of action that accrues before the effective date
- 16 of this Act is governed by the law in effect immediately before that
- 17 date, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.