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H.B. No. 3797

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the validation of the creation, operation, and dissolution of, and certain acts related to, a venue project.

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

SECTION 1. (a) The legislature validates and confirms:

(1) the creation of, and election on, a venue project to finance the restoration and renovation of a venue as of the date of an election held before the effective date of this Act at which the voters of a municipality approved the creation of the venue project and the levy of a two percent increase in the local hotel occupancy tax; and

(2) the levy and collection of a two percent increase in the local hotel occupancy tax for a venue project that occurred before the effective date of this Act.

(b) This section does not apply to any matter that on the effective date of this Act:

(1) is involved in litigation if the litigation ultimately results in the matter being held invalid by a final court judgment; or

(2) has been held invalid by a final court judgment.

(c) This Act does not validate any governmental act or proceeding that, under the law in effect at the time the act or proceeding occurred, would constitute a criminal offense punishable as a misdemeanor or felony.

1 SECTION 2. DISSOLUTION OF DISTRICTS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES

2 APPLICABILITY. This subchapter applies only to a district
3 wholly located in a county with a population of less than 15,000,
4 less than 2,800 square miles, and boarding the Pecos River.

5 DISSOLUTION. The governing body of each political
6 subdivision that created a district may dissolve the district by
7 adopting a concurrent order.

8 ASSETS AND LIABILITIES. (a) The assets and liabilities of a
9 district dissolved under this subchapter shall be transferred to
10 the county in which the district is located.

11 (b) After payment of district liabilities, the county shall
12 use the district assets that remain for an approved venue project of
13 the county.

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