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H.B. No. 225

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the imposition of a surcharge for the use of a credit  
3 card for payments under a commercial or residential real estate  
4 lease.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 339.001(b), Finance Code, is amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 (b) This section does not apply to:

9 (1) a state agency, county, local governmental entity,  
10 or other governmental entity that accepts a credit card for the  
11 payment of fees, taxes, or other charges; or

12 (2) a landlord or a landlord's agent who accepts a  
13 credit card for the payment of rent, fees, or other charges due from  
14 a tenant under a lease of commercial or residential rental  
15 property.

16 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.