

1-1 By: Guillen (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 429
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 29, 2013;
 1-3 April 30, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 10, 2013, reported favorably by
 1-5 the following vote: Yeas 3, Nays 2; May 10, 2013, sent to
 1-6 printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8 Hinojosa	X			
1-9 Nichols	X			
1-10 Garcia	X			
1-11 Paxton		X		
1-12 Taylor		X		

1-14 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-15 AN ACT

1-16 relating to the definition of rural area for purposes of certain
 1-17 housing assistance administered by the Texas Department of Housing
 1-18 and Community Affairs.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Section 2306.004(28-a), Government Code, is
 1-21 amended to read as follows:

1-22 (28-a) "Rural area" means an area that is located:

1-23 (A) outside the boundaries of a primary
 1-24 metropolitan statistical area or a metropolitan statistical area;

1-25 (B) within the boundaries of a primary
 1-26 metropolitan statistical area or a metropolitan statistical area,
 1-27 if the statistical area has a population of 25,000 or less and does
 1-28 not share a boundary with an urban area; or

1-29 (C) in an area that is eligible for federal
 1-30 financial assistance provided under Section 514, 515, or 516 of the
 1-31 Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. Section 1484, 1485, or 1486) [funding
 1-32 by the Texas Rural Development Office of the United States
 1-33 Department of Agriculture, other than an area that is located in a
 1-34 municipality with a population of more than 50,000].

1-35 SECTION 2. Section 2306.6702(12), Government Code, is
 1-36 repealed.

1-37 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only
 1-38 to an application for financial assistance that is submitted to the
 1-39 Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs during an
 1-40 application cycle that begins on or after the effective date of this
 1-41 Act. An application for financial assistance that is submitted
 1-42 during an application cycle that began before the effective date of
 1-43 this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the
 1-44 application cycle began, and the former law is continued in effect
 1-45 for that purpose.

1-46 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-47 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-48 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-49 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-50 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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