H.B. No. 665

By: Martinez

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to the use of the Texas Enterprise Fund for veterans 3 hospitals.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 481.078, Government Code, is amended by 6 amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d-2) to read as 7 follows:

8 (c) Except as provided by Subsections (d), [and] (d-1), and 9 (d-2), the fund may be used only for economic development, 10 infrastructure development, community development, job training 11 programs, and business incentives.

12 (d-2) The fund may be used for the establishment, 13 maintenance, or operation of veterans hospitals in this state. 14 Subsections (e-1), (f), (f-1), (f-2), (g), (h), (h-1), (i), and (j) 15 and Section 481.080 do not apply to a grant awarded for a purpose 16 specified by this subsection.

SECTION 2. Section 481.079(a-1), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

19 (a-1) For grants awarded for a purpose specified by Section 20 481.078(d-1) or (d-2), the report must include only the amount and 21 purpose of each grant.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
Act takes effect September 1, 2013.