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H.B. No. 675

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to regulation by a municipality or county of off-premise signs advertising sexually oriented businesses.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 243, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 243.012 to read as follows:

Sec. 243.012. REGULATION OF SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS ADVERTISING. A municipality by ordinance or a county by order may regulate the location of off-premise signs, as that term is defined by Section 216.002, advertising a sexually oriented business by:

(1) requiring those signs to be located in a particular area of the municipality or county; or

(2) prohibiting those signs from being located within a certain distance from a land use that the governing body of the municipality or county finds to be inconsistent with sexually oriented business advertising, including:

(A) a school;

(B) a place of worship;

(C) a residential neighborhood; or

(D) an interstate highway, a United States highway, or a state highway.

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