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H.B. No. 1967

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to use of sales and use tax proceeds by certain economic development corporations for certain job-related skills training.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 501, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 501.163 to read as follows:

Sec. 501.163. USE OF TAX REVENUE FOR JOB-RELATED SKILLS TRAINING BY CERTAIN CORPORATIONS. (a) This section applies only to a corporation the creation of which was authorized by a municipality that:

(1) has a population of 10,000 or more;

(2) is located in a county bordering the Gulf of Mexico or the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway; and

(3) has, or is included in a metropolitan statistical area of this state that has, an unemployment rate that averaged at least two percent above the state average for the most recent two consecutive years for which statistics are available.

(b) A corporation may spend tax revenue received under this subtitle for job training that consists of:

(1) providing job-related life skills sufficient to enable an unemployed individual to obtain employment; and

(2) providing job training skills sufficient to enable an unemployed individual to obtain employment.

(c) A corporation to which this section applies may contract

1 with any person to provide the job training authorized under this  
2 section.

3           SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
7 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.