1-1 By: Alvarado, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Taylor) H.B. No. 2482
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1-5 vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 16, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

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1-13	Fraser			X	
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

relating to a study to determine the reasons major manufacturers have chosen to invest in other states after considering development in this state.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. In this Act, "major manufacturer" means a person that:

(1) is engaged in the business of manufacturing;

(2) invested \$1 million or more in developing, expanding, or maintaining manufacturing operations in another state after September 1, 2011, and before September 1, 2014; and

state after September 1, 2011, and before September 1, 2014; and

(3) was offered economic incentives by the state or a local government related to developing, expanding, or maintaining manufacturing operations in this state before choosing to make that investment.

SECTION 2. The comptroller of public accounts shall conduct a study on the reasons major manufacturers have chosen to invest in other states after the manufacturers were offered economic incentives by the state or a local government to develop in this state. The study may include examining those reasons specific to the economic incentives that were offered and to the promotion of manufacturing development. The comptroller's office shall solicit interviews with an executive of each major manufacturer that declined the incentives. The interviews must address recommendations for this state to effectively compete with other states in promoting manufacturing development.

SECTION 3. Not later than December 1, 2014, the comptroller of public accounts shall provide a report on the results of the study, including an analysis of the results, to the speaker of the house of representatives, the lieutenant governor, the governor, and each standing committee of the legislature that has relevant jurisdiction.

SECTION 4. This Act expires January 1, 2015.

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

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