By: Branch H.B. No. 2775

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to the exclusion of certain commercial lease revenue in
- 3 determining a taxable entity's total revenue for purposes of the
- 4 franchise tax.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 171.1011(g), Tax Code, is amended to
- 7 read as follows:
- 8 (g) A taxable entity shall exclude from its total revenue,
- 9 to the extent included under Subsection (c)(1)(A), (c)(2)(A), or
- 10 (c)(3), only the following flow-through funds that are mandated by
- 11 contract to be distributed to other entities:
- 12 (1) sales commissions to nonemployees, including
- 13 split-fee real estate commissions;
- 14 (2) the tax basis as determined under the Internal
- 15 Revenue Code of securities underwritten; [and]
- 16 (3) subcontracting payments handled by the taxable
- 17 entity to provide services, labor, or materials in connection with
- 18 the actual or proposed design, construction, remodeling, or repair
- 19 of improvements on real property or the location of the boundaries
- 20 of real property; and
- 21 (4) payments, excluding expenses for interest and
- 22 depreciation, received by a landlord of commercial real property
- 23 from a tenant of the property for ad valorem taxes, any tax or
- 24 excise imposed on rents, general or special assessments or other

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- 1 taxes, building or property operating expenses, property or other
- 2 <u>insurance expenses</u>, utility expenses, and maintenance expenses.
- 3 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to a report originally due
- 4 on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 2014.