By: Cortez H.B. No. 3211

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to the creation of the Hispanic Heritage Center of Texas
- 3 Grant Program.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 442, Government Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Section 442.028 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 442.028. HISPANIC HERITAGE CENTER OF TEXAS GRANT
- 8 PROGRAM. (a) The commission shall create and administer a grant
- 9 program to support the development of the Hispanic Heritage Center
- 10 of Texas by awarding grants to an organization that has committed
- 11 resources to the center.
- 12 (b) The commission shall establish procedures to administer
- 13 the grant program, including procedures for applying for a grant
- 14 under this section.
- 15 (c) The legislature may appropriate money to the commission
- 16 for the purpose of awarding grants under this section.
- 17 (d) The commission may solicit and accept gifts, grants, and
- 18 donations from any public or private source for the purposes of this
- 19 section.
- 20 SECTION 2. The Texas Historical Commission shall establish
- 21 the procedures for applying for a grant under Section 442.028,
- 22 Government Code, as added by this Act, not later than October 1,
- 23 2013.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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