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H.B. No. 3548

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a limitation on annexation by certain municipalities.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 43, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 43.908 to read as follows:

Sec. 43.908. RESTRICTED ANNEXATION BY CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES. A municipality in a county that contains an international border and borders the Gulf of Mexico may not annex area other than an unincorporated area that is entirely surrounded by the incorporated territory of the municipality until all of the unincorporated areas that are entirely surrounded by the incorporated territory have been annexed.

SECTION 2. 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.