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S.B. No. 1783

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the tax exemption for permanent hotel residents in certain oil and gas producing municipalities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 351.002, Tax Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(c) The tax does not apply to a person who is a permanent resident under Section 156.101 or Subsection (d) ~~[of this code]~~.

(d) For a hotel located in a Railroad Commission of Texas oil and gas division district with 315 or more total completions in the preceding year, a municipality by ordinance may define a "permanent resident" as a person who has the right to use or possess a room in the hotel for at least 120 consecutive days, so long as there is no interruption of payment for the period.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to a person who has the right to use or possess a room in a hotel on or after the effective date of this Act, regardless of whether that right began before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act does not affect tax liability accruing before the effective date of this Act. That liability continues in effect as if this Act had not been enacted, and the former law is continued in effect for the collection of taxes due and for civil and criminal enforcement of

1 the liability for those taxes.

2 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.