

1-1 By: González (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 74  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 4, 2015;  
 1-3 May 6, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on  
 1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 24, 2015, reported adversely,  
 1-5 with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 5,  
 1-6 Nays 0; May 24, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	X			
1-9	X			
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1-11			X	
1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14	X			
1-15			X	

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 74 By: Bettencourt

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to certain financial assistance administered by the Texas  
 1-20 Department of Housing and Community Affairs in certain rural areas.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Sections 2306.6702(a), Government Code, is  
 1-23 amended by adding Subdivisions (12) and (17) to read as follows:

1-24 (12) "Rural area" means an area that is:

1-25 (A) described by Section 2306.004(28-a); or

1-26 (B) designated by the department as a rural area  
 1-27 under Section 2306.6740.

1-28 (17) "Urban area" means the area that is located  
 1-29 within the boundaries of a primary metropolitan statistical area or  
 1-30 a metropolitan statistical area other than an area:

1-31 (A) described by Section 2306.004 (28-a)(B); or

1-32 (B) designated by the department as a rural area  
 1-33 under Section 2306.6740.

1-34 SECTION 2. Subchapter DD, Chapter 2306, Government Code, is  
 1-35 amended by adding Section 2306.6740 to read as follows:

1-36 Sec. 2306.6740. DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN AREAS AS RURAL. (a)

1-37 The department by rule shall provide for the designation by the  
 1-38 department of an area located within the boundaries of a primary  
 1-39 metropolitan statistical area or a metropolitan statistical area as  
 1-40 a rural area under Section 2306.6702(a)(12)(B) for purposes of  
 1-41 receiving housing tax credits administered by the department under  
 1-42 this subchapter.

1-43 (b) Rules adopted under this section must ensure that any  
 1-44 housing tax credits allocated to a designated rural area complies  
 1-45 with any applicable federal requirements regarding that  
 1-46 assistance.

1-47 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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