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H.B. No. 2667

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the abolishment of certain programs administered by the Texas Economic Development Bank.

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

SECTION 1. The following laws are repealed:

- (1) Subchapter N, Chapter 481, Government Code; and
- (2) Chapter 503, Local Government Code.

SECTION 2. Section 447.013(i), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(i) A recipient of a grant or loan under this section is encouraged to purchase goods and services from small businesses and historically underutilized businesses, as those terms are defined by former Section 481.191, as that section existed on January 1, 2015 [~~Government Code~~].

SECTION 3. Section 489.108, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 489.108. PROGRAMS, SERVICES, AND FUNDS UNDER BANK'S DIRECTION. Notwithstanding any other law, the bank shall perform the duties and functions of the office with respect to the following programs, services, and funds:

(1) [~~the Texas Small Business Industrial Development Corporation established under Chapter 503, Local Government Code,~~

~~(2)] the capital access program established under Section 481.405;~~

- 1 (2) [~~(3)~~] the Texas leverage fund;
- 2 (3) [~~(4)~~] ~~the linked deposit program established under~~
3 ~~Section 481.193,~~
- 4 [~~(5)~~] the enterprise zone program established under
5 Chapter 2303;
- 6 (4) [~~(6)~~] the industrial revenue bond program;
- 7 (5) [~~(7)~~] the defense economic readjustment zone
8 program established under Chapter 2310;
- 9 (6) [~~(8)~~] the Empowerment Zone and Enterprise
10 Community grant program established under Section 481.025; and
- 11 (7) [~~(9)~~] the renewal community program.

12 SECTION 4. Section 39.909(a), Utilities Code, is amended to
13 read as follows:

14 (a) In this section, "small business" and "historically
15 underutilized business" have the meanings assigned by former
16 Section 481.191, Government Code, as that section existed on
17 January 1, 2015.

18 SECTION 5. Section 52.256(a), Utilities Code, is amended to
19 read as follows:

20 (a) In this section, "small business" and "historically
21 underutilized business" have the meanings assigned by former
22 Section 481.191, Government Code, as that section existed on
23 January 1, 2015.

24 SECTION 6. (a) The Texas Economic Development Bank shall
25 reject any application for a linked deposit loan submitted to the
26 bank before the effective date of this Act for which a linked
27 deposit has not been made in accordance with Subchapter N, Chapter

1 481, Government Code, as that subchapter existed immediately before
2 being repealed by this Act.

3 (b) Notwithstanding the repeal by this Act of Subchapter N,
4 Chapter 481, Government Code, Subchapter N is continued in effect
5 for the limited purpose of allowing the Texas Economic Development
6 Bank to administer linked deposits made before the effective date
7 of this Act and to pursue the bank's remedies under that subchapter
8 if:

9 (1) a recipient of a loan to which a deposit is linked
10 defaults on the loan; or

11 (2) a lending institution that makes a loan for which a
12 linked deposit is made fails to comply with that subchapter.

13 SECTION 7. As soon as practicable after the effective date
14 of this Act, the Texas Economic Development Bank shall send to the
15 comptroller for deposit in the general revenue fund any revenue or
16 other money of the Texas Small Business Industrial Development
17 Corporation held in financial institutions as provided by Section
18 [503.055](#), Local Government Code, as that section existed immediately
19 before that section's repeal by this Act.

20 SECTION 8. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.