

1-1 By: Smith (Senate Sponsor - Ellis) H.B. No. 3402
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 13, 2015;
 1-3 May 14, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural
 1-4 Resources and Economic Development; May 22, 2015, reported
 1-5 favorably by the following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 1; May 22, 2015,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-20 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-21 AN ACT

1-22 relating to the authority of a venue district to act as an endorsing
 1-23 municipality or endorsing county for purposes of games or event
 1-24 trust funds; authorizing a fee.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-26 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 335, Local Government
 1-27 Code, is amended by adding Section 335.078 to read as follows:

1-28 Sec. 335.078. VENUE DISTRICT AS ENDORSING MUNICIPALITY OR
 1-29 COUNTY. (a) A venue district located in a county with a population
 1-30 of 3.3 million or more may act as an endorsing municipality or
 1-31 endorsing county under Chapter 1507, Acts of the 76th Legislature,
 1-32 Regular Session, 1999 (Article 5190.14, Vernon's Texas Civil
 1-33 Statutes).

1-34 (b) A venue district acting as an endorsing municipality or
 1-35 endorsing county under Chapter 1507, Acts of the 76th Legislature,
 1-36 Regular Session, 1999 (Article 5190.14, Vernon's Texas Civil
 1-37 Statutes), shall remit for deposit into the trust fund established
 1-38 for the games or event the amounts determined by the comptroller
 1-39 under that chapter. The comptroller shall determine the
 1-40 incremental increase in receipts attributable to the games or event
 1-41 and related activities under that chapter based on the amount of
 1-42 applicable taxes imposed by each municipality or county that
 1-43 comprises the venue district and not on the amount of taxes imposed
 1-44 by the venue district.

1-45 (c) A venue district acting as an endorsing municipality or
 1-46 endorsing county under Chapter 1507, Acts of the 76th Legislature,
 1-47 Regular Session, 1999 (Article 5190.14, Vernon's Texas Civil
 1-48 Statutes), may guarantee the district's obligations under a games
 1-49 or event support contract by pledging surcharges from user fees,
 1-50 including parking or ticket fees, charged in connection with the
 1-51 games or event and related activities.

1-52 (d) Subject to Subsection (b), a venue district acting as an
 1-53 endorsing municipality or endorsing county under Chapter 1507, Acts
 1-54 of the 76th Legislature, Regular Session, 1999 (Article 5190.14,
 1-55 Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), as authorized by this section, has
 1-56 all the powers of an endorsing municipality or endorsing county
 1-57 under that chapter, and any action an endorsing municipality or
 1-58 endorsing county is required to take by ordinance or order under
 1-59 that chapter may be taken by order or resolution of the venue
 1-60 district.

1-61 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

2-1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-4 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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