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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to a study on the possible use of state-owned land within
- 3 25 miles of the Texas-Mexico border for border security.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. STUDY. (a) The General Land Office shall
- 6 conduct a study evaluating the possible use of state-owned land
- 7 within 25 miles of the Texas-Mexico border for purposes of border
- 8 security.
- 9 (b) In conducting the study under Subsection (a) of this
- 10 section, the General Land Office shall evaluate the possible use of
- 11 the land:
- 12 (1) as a staging area for law enforcement operations;
- 13 (2) for additional facilities for the Texas National
- 14 Guard; and
- 15 (3) for the physical security of the Texas-Mexico
- 16 border.
- SECTION 2. REPORT. Not later than September 1, 2016, the
- 18 General Land Office shall submit a report on the results of the
- 19 study and any resulting recommendations to the governor, the
- 20 lieutenant governor, and the members of the legislature.
- 21 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect
- 22 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members
- 23 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas
- 24 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for

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1 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.