

AN ACT

relating to a common characteristic or use project in a public improvement district in certain municipalities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 372.0035(a), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) This section applies only to:

(1) a municipality that:

(A) has a population of more than 650,000 and less than two million; or  
~~less [one million and a council-manager form of government and that is located wholly or partly in a county with a population of more]~~

(B) has a population of more than 325,000 and less than 625,000; and

(2) a public improvement district established under this subchapter and solely composed of territory in which the only businesses are:

(A) hotels with 100 or more rooms ordinarily used for sleeping, if the district is established by a municipality described by Subdivision (1)(A); or

(B) hotels with 75 or more rooms ordinarily used for sleeping, if the district is established by a municipality described by Subdivision (1)(B).

SECTION 2. Section 372.005, Local Government Code, is

1 amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

2 (b-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (b), a petition for the  
3 establishment of a public improvement district described by Section  
4 372.0035(a)(2) is sufficient only if signed by record owners of  
5 taxable real property liable for assessment under the proposal who  
6 constitute:

7 (1) more than 60 percent of the appraised value of  
8 taxable real property liable for assessment under the proposal, as  
9 determined by the current roll of the appraisal district in which  
10 the property is located; and

11 (2) more than 60 percent of:

12 (A) all record owners of taxable real property  
13 that are liable for assessment under the proposal; or

14 (B) the area of all taxable real property that is  
15 liable for assessment under the proposal.

16 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
20 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 837 passed the Senate on May 6, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 19, Nays 12; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 22, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 17, Nays 14.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 837 passed the House, with amendment, on May 18, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 94, Nays 43, one present not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor