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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to investment training for officers of public housing 3 authorities.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 2256.008(a), Government Code, as amended 6 by Chapters 222 (H.B. 1148) and 1248 (H.B. 870), Acts of the 84th 7 Legislature, Regular Session, 2015, is reenacted and amended to 8 read as follows:

9 (a) Except as provided by Subsections (a-1), (b), <u>(b-1)</u>, 10 [and] (e), and (f), the treasurer, the chief financial officer if 11 the treasurer is not the chief financial officer, and the 12 investment officer of a local government shall:

13 (1) attend at least one training session from an 14 independent source approved by the governing body of the local government or a designated investment committee advising the 15 investment officer as provided for in the investment policy of the 16 local government and containing at least 10 hours of instruction 17 relating to the treasurer's or officer's responsibilities under 18 this subchapter within 12 months after taking office or assuming 19 duties; and 20

(2) (2) [except as provided by Subsections (b), (c), and (f), attend an investment training session not less than once in a two-year period that begins on the first day of that local government's fiscal year and consists of the two consecutive fiscal

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1 years after that date, and receive not less than 10 hours of 2 instruction relating to investment responsibilities under this 3 subchapter from an independent source approved by the governing 4 body of the local government or a designated investment committee 5 advising the investment officer as provided for in the investment 6 policy of the local government.

SECTION 2. Section 2256.008, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) and amending Subsection (f) to read as follows:

10 (b-1) A housing authority created under Chapter 392, Local 11 Government Code, may satisfy the training requirement provided by 12 Subsection (a)(2) by requiring the following person to attend, in 13 each two-year period that begins on the first day of that housing 14 authority's fiscal year and consists of the two consecutive fiscal 15 years after that date, at least five hours of appropriate 16 instruction:

17 (1) the treasurer, or the chief financial officer if 18 the treasurer is not the chief financial officer, or the investment 19 officer; or

20 (2) if the authority does not have an officer
 21 described by Subdivision (1), another officer of the authority.

(f) Subsection (a)(2) does not apply to an officer of a municipality <u>or housing authority</u> if the municipality <u>or housing</u> <u>authority</u>:

(1) does not invest municipal <u>or housing authority</u>
26 funds, <u>as applicable</u>; or

27 (2) only deposits those [municipal] funds in:

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(A) interest-bearing deposit accounts; or
 (B) certificates of deposit as authorized by
 Section 2256.010.
 SECTION 3. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
 over another Act of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017,
 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
 codes.

8 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.