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H.B. No. 1704

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the award of court costs and attorney's fees in actions  
3 to determine the applicability of certain local government  
4 regulations.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 245.006, Local Government Code, is  
7 amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

8 (c) A court may award court costs and reasonable and  
9 necessary attorney's fees to the prevailing party in an action  
10 under this chapter.

11 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
12 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
13 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
14 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
15 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.