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H.B. No. 2954

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the authority of a county to end a low-income vehicle  
3 repair assistance, retrofit, and accelerated vehicle retirement  
4 program in the county.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 382.209, Health and Safety Code, is  
7 amended by adding Subsections (k), (l), and (m) to read as follows:

8 (k) The commissioners court of a participating county may  
9 adopt a resolution to end the low-income vehicle repair assistance,  
10 retrofit, and accelerated vehicle retirement program in the county.  
11 The commissioners court shall submit the resolution to the  
12 commission and to the county tax assessor-collector. The  
13 resolution must include a date on which a fee may not be imposed  
14 under Section 382.202 or 382.302 for the purposes of the county's  
15 low-income vehicle repair assistance, retrofit, and accelerated  
16 vehicle retirement program on vehicles being inspected or  
17 registered in the county. The date must be:

18 (1) the first day of a month; and

19 (2) at least 30 days after the date the resolution is  
20 submitted to the commission.

21 (l) On receipt of a resolution under Subsection (k), the  
22 commission shall notify, in writing, the Texas Department of Motor  
23 Vehicles, the Department of Public Safety, and the Legislative  
24 Budget Board that a fee may not be imposed under Section 382.202 or

1 382.302 for the purposes of the county's low-income vehicle repair  
2 assistance, retrofit, and accelerated vehicle retirement program  
3 on vehicles being inspected or registered in the county after the  
4 date established under Subsection (k).

5 (m) To the extent practicable, the commission shall  
6 distribute to the county money collected in the county before the  
7 date established under Subsection (k) from a fee authorized under  
8 Section 382.202 or 382.302 for the purposes of the county's  
9 low-income vehicle repair assistance, retrofit, and accelerated  
10 vehicle retirement program. The county may use money distributed to  
11 the county under this subsection for remaining expenses of the  
12 program or for any other purpose.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.