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H.B. No. 4262

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a restriction on the expenditure of state money by a state agency for the purpose of border security.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 2113, Government Code, is amended by adding Subchapter F to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER F. RESTRICTIONS ON EXPENDITURES RELATED TO BORDER SECURITY IN CERTAIN AREAS OF STATE

Sec. 2113.351. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:

(1) "Border security" means activities associated with deterring crimes and enforcing state laws:

(A) that relate to:

(i) offenses listed in Section 772.0071; or

(ii) federal law enforcement operations;

and

(B) for which this state receives federal grants intended to enhance law enforcement.

(2) "Qualifying county" means a county that is:

(A) adjacent to or within 20 miles of an international border;

(B) adjacent to a county located on an international border; or

(C) adjacent to the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, as defined by Section 51.002, Transportation Code.

1 Sec. 2113.352. RESTRICTION ON EXPENDITURES. A state agency
2 may not use appropriated money for a purpose directly related to
3 border security in a qualifying county unless the Legislative
4 Budget Board certifies to the state agency that the state has
5 received a commitment from the federal government to reimburse the
6 state for the expenditure.

7 SECTION 2. Section 2113.352, Government Code, as added by
8 this Act, applies only to the use of appropriated money by a state
9 agency on or after September 1, 2017.

10 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
11 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
12 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
13 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
14 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.