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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to the additional tax imposed if the use of land located in
- 3 certain counties and appraised for ad valorem tax purposes as
- 4 open-space land is changed.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 23.55, Tax Code, is amended by adding
- 7 Subsection (r) to read as follows:
- 8 <u>(r) The sanctions provided by Subsection (a) do not apply to</u>
- 9 land located in a county with a population of less than 25,000.
- 10 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 11 to a change of use of land that occurs on or after the effective date
- 12 of this Act. A change of use of land that occurred before the
- 13 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the
- 14 change of use occurred, and the former law is continued in effect
- 15 for that purpose.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.