

1-1 By: Lucio S.B. No. 1804  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 9, 2017; March 23, 2017, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources &  
1-4 Economic Development; April 27, 2017, reported adversely, with  
1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8,  
1-6 Nays 0, 2 present not voting; April 27, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	Estes	X		
1-10	Zaffirini	X		
1-11	Burton			X
1-12	Garcia	X		
1-13	Hancock		X	
1-14	Hinojosa	X		
1-15	Huffines	X		
1-16	Miles	X		
1-17	Rodríguez	X		
1-18	Seliger	X		
1-19	Taylor of Collin			X

1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1804 By: Zaffirini

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to the use of municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue by  
1-24 certain municipalities.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 351.1054, Tax Code, is  
1-27 amended to read as follows:

1-28 Sec. 351.1054. ALLOCATION OF REVENUE: ELIGIBLE BARRIER  
1-29 ISLAND COASTAL MUNICIPALITY [~~FOR ECOLOGICAL TOURISM AND SPACECRAFT~~  
1-30 ~~AND SPACEPORT ACTIVITIES BY CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES~~].

1-31 SECTION 2. Sections 351.1054(b) and (c), Tax Code, are  
1-32 amended to read as follows:

1-33 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, an  
1-34 eligible barrier island coastal municipality may use revenue from  
1-35 the municipal hotel occupancy tax for:

1-36 (1) promotional and event expenses for an ecological  
1-37 tourism event, including an event for which the primary attraction  
1-38 is traveling to an area of natural or ecological interest for the  
1-39 purpose of observing and learning about wildlife and the area's  
1-40 natural environment, if:

1-41 (A) a majority of the event's participants are  
1-42 tourists; and

1-43 (B) the event substantially increases economic  
1-44 activity at hotels and motels within or in the vicinity of the  
1-45 municipality; ~~and~~

1-46 (2) expenses directly related to:

1-47 (A) the acquisition of sites to observe  
1-48 spacecraft and spaceport activities; and

1-49 (B) the construction, improvement, enlarging,  
1-50 equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of facilities  
1-51 utilized by hotel guests to observe and learn about spacecraft and  
1-52 spaceport operations; and

1-53 (3) expenses directly related to the construction,  
1-54 improvement, equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of  
1-55 coastal sports facilities owned by the municipality, including boat  
1-56 docks, boat ramps, and fishing piers used by hotel guests, if:

1-57 (A) the coastal sports facilities have been used  
1-58 in the preceding calendar year a combined total of more than five  
1-59 times for district, state, regional, or national sports tournaments  
1-60 or events; and

(B) the majority of the events at the coastal sports facilities are directly related to a sports tournament or event in which the majority of participants are tourists who substantially increase economic activity at hotels within or in the vicinity of the municipality.

(c) A municipality may use for the purposes provided by Subsections (b)(1), ~~[and]~~ (2), and (3) not more than the greater of:

(1) 15 percent of the hotel occupancy tax revenue collected by the municipality; or

(2) the amount of tax received by the municipality at the rate of one percent of the cost of a room.

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

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