



FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____ 19 APR -9 PM 7:58

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

1 Amend C.S.H.B. 2 (house committee printing) by adding the
2 following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and
3 renumbering SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

4 SECTION ____ Chapter 26, Tax Code, is amended by adding Section
5 26.0442 to read as follows:

6 Sec. 26.0442. TAX RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY
7 EXPENDITURES. (a) In this section, "public safety expenditures"
8 for a tax year means the amount of expenditures other than
9 expenditures from debt made by a taxing unit in the period
10 beginning on July 1 of the year preceding the tax year for which
11 the tax is adopted and ending on June 30 of the tax year for which
12 the tax is adopted on costs to:

13 (1) provide the following services:

14 (A) law enforcement;

15 (B) administration of justice as provided in the
16 Texas Government Code;

17 (C) emergency response, as that term is defined by
18 Section 78.101, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, including 9-1-1
19 services;

20 (D) disaster response, where "disaster" has the
21 meaning assigned by Section 418.004, Government Code

22 (E) emergency medical services and medical
23 supervision, as those terms are defined by Section 773.003, Health
24 and Safety Code; and

25 (2) recruit, train, equip, and pay the salaries, wages,
26 benefits, and pensions of individuals employed by the taxing unit
27 as:

28 (A) peace officers, as that term is defined by Article
29 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure;

1 (B) school resource officers, as that term is defined by
2 Section 1701.262, Occupations Code;

3 (C) fire fighters, as that term is defined by Section
4 614.001, Government Code;; and

5 (D) employees performing a service described by
6 Subdivision (1) or employed by the taxing unit at a public safety
7 facility, municipal court, or jail.

8 (b) If a taxing unit 's public safety expenditures exceed the
9 amount of those expenditures for the preceding tax year, the no-
10 new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for the taxing unit is
11 increased by the lesser of the rates computed according to the
12 following formulas:

13 (Current Tax Year 's Public Safety Expenditures -
14 Preceding Tax Year 's Public Safety Expenditures) /
15 (Current Total Value - New Property Value)

16 or

17 (Preceding Tax Year 's Public Safety Expenditures x
18 0.05) / (Current Total Value - New Property Value)

19 (c) The taxing unit shall include a notice of the increase in
20 the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate provided by
21 this section, including a description and the amount of the public
22 safety expenditures, in the information published under Section
23 26.04(e) and, as applicable, in the notice prescribed by Section
24 26.06 or 26.061.

25 SECTION ____. Section 26.0442, Tax Code, as added by this Act,
26 applies to the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate of
27 a taxing unit beginning with the 2020 tax year.