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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 2 (house committee printing) by adding the
2 following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and
3 renumbering SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

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

6 Sec. 26.0442. TAX RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR COUNTY INDIGENT
7 DEFENSE EXPENDITURES. (a) In this section, "county indigent
8 defense expenditures" for a tax year means the amount of
9 expenditures made by a county in the period beginning on July 1 of
10 the year preceding the tax year for which the tax is adopted and
11 ending on June 30 of the tax year for which the tax is adopted on the
12 cost to provide appointed counsel for indigent individuals in
13 criminal and civil cases, including the cost to comply with:

- 14 (1) Article 1.051, Code of Criminal Procedure; and
- 15 (2) Sections 262.102 and 262.201, Family Code.

16 (b) If a county's county indigent defense expenditures
17 exceed the amount of those expenditures for the preceding tax year,
18 the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for the county
19 is increased by the rate computed according to the following
20 formula:

21 (Current Tax Year's County Indigent Defense
22 Expenditures - Preceding Tax Year's County Indigent
23 Defense Expenditures) / (Current Total Value - New
24 Property Value)

25 (c) The county shall include a notice of the increase in the
26 no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate provided by this
27 section, including a description and the amount of the county
28 indigent defense expenditures, in the information published under
29 Section 26.04(e) and, as applicable, in the notice prescribed by

1 Section 26.06 or 26.061.