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By:  Shine H.B. No. 2918

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the provision of state aid to certain local governments disproportionately affected by the granting of ad valorem tax relief to disabled veterans.

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

SECTION 1.  Sections 140.011(a)(1) and (2), Local Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

(1)  "General fund revenue" means revenue generated by a local government from any source [~~the following sources~~] during a fiscal year and deposited in the dedicated general operating fund of the local government during that fiscal year, including, if applicable:

(A)  ad valorem taxes;

(B)  sales and use taxes;

(C)  franchise taxes, fees, or assessments charged for use of the local government's right-of-way;

(D)  building and development fees, including permit and inspection fees;

(E)  court fines and fees;

(F)  other fees, assessments, and charges; and

(G)  interest earned by the local government.

(2)  "Local government" means:

(A)  a municipality adjacent to a United States military installation; [~~and~~]

(B)  a county in which a United States military installation is wholly or partly located; and

(C)  a junior college district located wholly or partly in a municipality described by Paragraph (A).

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies to the eligibility of a qualified local government to apply for a disabled veteran assistance payment beginning with the fiscal year of the local government that ends in the 2019 tax year.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.