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By:  Herrero H.B. No. 3126

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to county community and economic development programs.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 381.004(b), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  To stimulate business and commercial activity in a county, including in the incorporated areas of the county, the commissioners court of the county may develop and administer a program:

(1)  for state or local economic development;

(2)  for small or disadvantaged business development;

(3)  to stimulate, encourage, and develop business location and commercial activity in the county;

(4)  to promote or advertise the county and its vicinity or conduct a solicitation program to attract conventions, visitors, and businesses;

(5)  to improve the extent to which women and minority businesses are awarded county contracts;

(6)  to support comprehensive literacy programs for the benefit of county residents; or

(7)  for the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts.

SECTION 2.  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, 2019.