By:  Bucy (Senate Sponsor - Schwertner) H.B. No. 3356

(In the Senate - Received from the House May 8, 2019; May 13, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development; May 16, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 16, 2019, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

               Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Birdwell        X

Zaffirini       X

Fallon          X

Flores          X

Hancock         X

Hinojosa        X

Hughes          X

Miles           X

Paxton          X

Powell          X

Rodríguez       X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue in certain municipalities.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 351.101, Tax Code, is amended by adding Subsection (q) to read as follows:

(q)  In addition to the purposes provided by Subsection (a), a municipality with a population of more than 48,000 but less than 95,000 that is located in two counties, one of which has a population of at least 900,000 but less than 1.7 million, may use revenue from the municipal hotel occupancy tax to promote tourism and the convention and hotel industry by constructing, improving, equipping, repairing, maintaining, operating, or expanding a coliseum or multiuse facility if the majority of the events at the coliseum or facility attract tourists who substantially increase economic activity at hotels in the municipality.

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.

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