

By: Toth, et al.

H.B. No. 1495

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1495:

By: Stickland

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to authorization for the creation of a county ethics  
3 commission in certain counties.

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

5 SECTION 1. This Act shall be cited as the J D Lambright  
6 Local Government Ethics Reform Act.

7 SECTION 2. Section 161.001, Local Government Code, is  
8 amended to read as follows:

9 Sec. 161.001. APPLICABILITY OF CHAPTER. This chapter  
10 applies only to:

11 (1) a county that:

12 (A) [~~(1)~~] has a population of 800,000 or more;

13 (B) [~~(2)~~] is located on the international  
14 border; and

15 (C) [~~(3)~~] before September 1, 2009, had a county  
16 ethics board appointed by the commissioners court; and

17 (2) a county that:

18 (A) has a population of 425,000 or more;

19 (B) is adjacent to a county with a population of  
20 3.3 million or more; and

21 (C) contains a portion of the San Jacinto River.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.