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S.B. No. 254

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to court appointment of a receiver for a property that is in violation of certain ordinances in certain municipalities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 214.003, Local Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b) Except as provided by Subsections (b-1) and [Subsection] (c), the court may appoint as a receiver for the property a nonprofit organization or an individual with a demonstrated record of rehabilitating properties if the court finds that:

(1) the structures on the property are in violation of the standards set forth in Section 214.001(b) and an ordinance described by Subsection (a);

(2) notice of violation was given to the record owner of the property; and

(3) a public hearing as required by Section 214.001(b) has been conducted.

(b-1) This subsection applies only to a municipality wholly or partly located in a county that is located along the international border and has a population of 800,000 or more. The court may appoint as a receiver under Subsection (b) an individual without a demonstrated record of rehabilitating properties if the

1 municipality demonstrates that:

2 (1) no individual with a demonstrated record of
3 rehabilitating properties is available; and

4 (2) the individual being appointed is competent and
5 able to fulfill the duties of a receiver.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
10 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.