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S.B. No. 1019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the creation of a housing repair grant pilot program for
3 property owners who provide housing to recipients of certain
4 federal housing assistance.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter K, Chapter 2306, Government Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 2306.2591 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 2306.2591. HOUSING REPAIR GRANT PILOT PROGRAM. (a)
9 The department shall establish and administer a pilot program to
10 provide grants to property owners who offer housing to recipients
11 of assistance provided through the housing choice voucher program
12 authorized under Section 8, United States Housing Act of 1937 (42
13 U.S.C. Section 1437f), including assistance provided through a
14 supportive housing program for homeless veterans authorized under
15 Section 8(o)(19), United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
16 Section 1437f(o)(19)).

17 (b) A grant made under the program must be:

18 (1) made from available money in the housing trust
19 fund; and

20 (2) with respect to the housing offered to recipients
21 of the assistance described by Subsection (a), used by the property
22 owner only to establish or maintain compliance with the housing
23 quality standards established under Section 8, United States
24 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. Section 1437f).

1 (c) The department shall adopt rules necessary to
2 administer the program. Rules adopted under this section must
3 establish eligibility requirements for participation in the
4 program, including proof of the need for and the completion of
5 repairs.

6 (d) This section expires September 1, 2021.

7 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.