

1-1 By: Watson S.B. No. 2168  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 8, 2019; March 21, 2019, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Transportation;  
1-4 April 4, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,  
1-5 Nays 0; April 4, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7				
1-8	Nichols	X		
1-9	Hancock	X		
1-10	Alvarado	X		
1-11	Hinojosa	X		
1-12	Kolkhorst	X		
1-13	Perry	X		
1-14	Rodríguez	X		
1-15	Schwertner	X		
1-16	West	X		

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to relief from local matching funds requirements for  
1-20 certain counties.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 222.053, Transportation Code, is amended  
1-23 by adding Subsections (a-1) and (a-2) to read as follows:

1-24 (a-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), a county is  
1-25 considered to be an "economically disadvantaged county" for the  
1-26 purposes of this section if it meets the criteria as laid out in  
1-27 Subsection (a) within the past six years and has been included in no  
1-28 less than five federally declared disasters within the same time  
1-29 period.

1-30 (a-2) For a county described by Subsection (a-1), the  
1-31 adjustment to the local matching funds requirement shall be  
1-32 equivalent to the highest adjustment rate set in the last year the  
1-33 county was considered to meet the criteria described in Subsection  
1-34 (a).

1-35 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-36 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-37 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-38 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-39 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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