

1-1 By: Nichols S.B. No. 2208
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 8, 2019; March 21, 2019, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources &
 1-4 Economic Development; April 8, 2019, reported favorably by the
 1-5 following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0; April 8, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Birdwell	X			
1-8 Zaffirini	X			
1-9 Fallon	X			
1-10 Flores	X			
1-11 Hancock			X	
1-12 Hinojosa	X			
1-13 Hughes	X			
1-14 Miles	X			
1-15 Paxton	X			
1-16 Powell	X			
1-17 Rodríguez	X			

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the use of hotel occupancy tax revenue by certain
 1-22 counties.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 352, Tax Code, is amended
 1-25 by adding Section 352.111 to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 352.111. USE OF REVENUE; COUNTIES BORDERING PORTION OF
 1-27 NECHES RIVER, SABINE RIVER, AND SABINE LAKE. (a) In addition to
 1-28 the purposes authorized by this chapter, the revenue from a tax
 1-29 imposed under this chapter by a county authorized to impose the tax
 1-30 by Section 352.002(a)(28) may be used to construct and equip a
 1-31 pavilion that is primarily used for events attended by tourists and
 1-32 hotel guests and that has a substantial impact on hotel activity.

1-33 (b) If a county to which this section applies uses revenue
 1-34 derived from the tax imposed under this chapter for a purpose
 1-35 described by Subsection (a), the county may not reduce the
 1-36 percentage of revenue from the tax imposed under this chapter and
 1-37 allocated for a purpose described by Section 351.101(a)(3) to a
 1-38 percentage that is less than the average percentage of that revenue
 1-39 allocated by the county for that purpose during the 36-month period
 1-40 preceding the date the county first uses hotel occupancy tax
 1-41 revenue for the purpose described by Subsection (a).

1-42 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-43 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-44 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-45 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-46 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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