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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the rule against perpetuities.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 112.036, Property Code, is amended to
- 5 read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 112.036. RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES. (a) The rule
- 7 against perpetuities applies to <u>an interest in a trust</u> [trusts]
- 8 other than <u>a</u> charitable $\underline{\text{trust}}$ [$\underline{\text{trusts}}$].
- 9 <u>(b) For purposes of this section, the effective date of a</u>
- 10 trust is the date the trust becomes irrevocable.
- (c) An interest in a trust must vest, if at all:
- 12 (1) not later than 300 years after the effective date
- 13 of the trust, if the effective date of the trust is on or after
- 14 September 1, 2021; or
- 15 (2) except as provided by Subsection (d),
- 16 [Accordingly, an interest is not good unless it must vest, if at
- 17 all, not later than 21 years after some life in being at the time of
- 18 the creation of the interest, plus a period of gestation, if the
- 19 <u>effective date of the trust is before September 1, 2021</u>.
- 20 <u>(d) An interest in a trust that has an effective date before</u>
- 21 September 1, 2021, may vest as described by Subsection (c)(1) if the
- 22 trust instrument provides that an interest in the trust vests under
- 23 the provisions of this section applicable to trusts on the date that
- 24 the interest vests.

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- 1 <u>(e)</u> Any interest in a trust may[, however,] be reformed or
- 2 construed to the extent and as provided by Section 5.043.
- 3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.