

By: Morales of Harris

H.B. No. 1200

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1200:

By: Biedermann

C.S.H.B. No. 1200

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the regulation of historic or culturally significant  
3 buildings, structures, objects, sites, and districts by certain  
4 municipalities.

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

6 SECTION 1. Chapter 315, Local Government Code, is amended  
7 by adding Section 315.007 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 315.007. PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC AND CULTURALLY  
9 SIGNIFICANT BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES, OBJECTS, SITES, AND DISTRICTS  
10 IN CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES. (a) A municipality with a population of  
11 more than two million that does not exercise zoning authority under  
12 Chapter 211 may adopt and enforce an ordinance, order, or other  
13 regulation the primary purpose of which is to protect or maintain  
14 historic or culturally significant buildings, structures, objects,  
15 sites, and districts.

16 (b) A regulation under this section is not considered a  
17 zoning regulation for the purposes of Chapter 211 or other law,  
18 including a municipal charter, regardless of whether the regulation  
19 designates specific districts or other areas in the municipality.

20 SECTION 2. A historic district or landmark that was  
21 approved before March 1, 2021, by the governing body of a  
22 municipality described by Section 315.007, Local Government Code,  
23 as added by this Act, is validated.

24 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.