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By:  Turner H.B. No. 1193

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to prohibiting housing discrimination by a property owners' association against a residential tenant based on the tenant's method of payment.

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

SECTION 1.  Chapter 202, Property Code, is amended by adding Section 202.024 to read as follows:

Sec. 202.024.  DISCRIMINATION AGAINST TENANT BASED ON METHOD OF PAYMENT PROHIBITED. (a) In this section, "method of payment" includes payment made in whole or in part by:

(1)  a housing choice voucher under Section 8, United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. Section 1437f); or

(2)  any other federal or state or local housing assistance provided to a person or to a property owner on behalf of a person, including rental vouchers, rental assistance, or rental subsidies from a nongovernmental organization.

(b)  A property owners' association may not include or enforce a provision in a dedicatory instrument that prohibits or restricts, or has the effect of prohibiting or restricting, a property owner from renting a dwelling to a person based on the person's method of payment.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.