By:  Turner, Jones of Dallas (Senate Sponsor - Miles) H.B. No. 1193

(In the Senate - Received from the House May 3, 2023; May 5, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government; May 17, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 17, 2023, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                 Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Bettencourt       X

Springer          X

Eckhardt          X

Gutierrez         X

Hall              X

Nichols           X

Parker            X

Paxton            X

West              X

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 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.

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