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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to municipal regulation of the removal of an Ashe juniper tree.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 212.905(h), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(h)  A municipality may not prohibit the removal of or impose a tree mitigation fee for the removal of [~~a tree that~~]:

(1)  a tree that is diseased or dead; [~~or~~]

(2)  a tree that poses an imminent or immediate threat to persons or property; or

(3)  an Ashe juniper tree located on a residential property.

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