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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a study conducted by the Texas Historical Commission regarding the repair and renovation of Rosenwald school structures located in the south central region of this state.

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

SECTION 1.  STUDY. (a) In this Act, "commission" means the Texas Historical Commission.

(b)  The commission shall conduct a study to assess the funding needed to repair and renovate Rosenwald school structures in the south central region of this state. The study must:

(1)  include an inventory of Rosenwald school structures and a determination of the condition of each structure;

(2)  based on the inventory under Subdivision (1) of this section, assess the need for funding for repair and renovation of the Rosenwald school structures;

(3)  develop a financial plan for repair and renovation of the Rosenwald school structures, including options for funding through state appropriations and other sources; and

(4)  examine the feasibility of using the Rosenwald school structures as community learning centers.

(c)  In conducting the study under this section, the commission shall consult with:

(1)  Prairie View A&M University; and

(2)  counties and municipalities in which Rosenwald school structures are located.

SECTION 2.  REPORT. Not later than September 1, 2024, the commission shall prepare and submit to the legislature a written report summarizing the results of the study. The report must include:

(1)  recommendations for legislative or other action; and

(2)  any other matters the Texas Historical Commission considers appropriate.

SECTION 3.  EXPIRATION. This Act expires December 1, 2024.

SECTION 4.  EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.