By:  Ashby (Senate Sponsor - Nichols) H.B. No. 5178

(In the Senate - Received from the House May 3, 2023; May 5, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development; May 18, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0, one present not voting; May 18, 2023, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

               Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Birdwell        X

Zaffirini       X

Alvarado        X

Blanco          X

Hancock                         X

Hughes          X

Kolkhorst                 X

Miles           X

Sparks          X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to authorizing certain counties to impose a hotel occupancy tax and the applicability of that tax in certain counties.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 352.002, Tax Code, is amended by adding Subsection (ee) to read as follows:

(ee)  The commissioner's court of a county that has a population of 80,000 or more and that contains a portion of the Angelina National Forest may impose a tax as provided by Subsection (a). A tax imposed under this subsection does not apply to a hotel located in a municipality that imposes a tax under Chapter 351 applicable to the hotel.

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

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