H.B. No. 543

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to the exclusion from the market value of real property for 3 ad valorem tax purposes of the value of any improvement, or any 4 feature incorporated in an improvement, made to the property if the 5 primary purpose of the improvement or feature is compliance with 6 the requirements of standards that address accessible design of 7 buildings or other facilities.

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

9 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 23, Tax Code, is amended by 10 adding Section 23.015 to read as follows:

11 Sec. 23.015. EXCLUSION OF VALUE OF IMPROVEMENT MADE TO 12 COMPLY WITH ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS. In determining the market value of real property, the chief appraiser shall exclude from that 13 14 value the value of any improvement, or any feature incorporated in an improvement, made to the property if the primary purpose of the 15 16 improvement or feature is compliance with the requirements of the 2010 Americans with Disabilities Act Standards for Accessible 17 Design or any successor standards that address accessible design of 18 buildings or other facilities and are promulgated under the 19 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et 20 seq.). 21

22 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to the determination of the 23 market value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes for a tax 24 year that begins on or after the effective date of this Act.

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1 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies to an 2 improvement, or a feature incorporated in an improvement, described 3 by Section 23.015, Tax Code, as added by this Act, made to real 4 property only if the improvement is made to the property, or the 5 feature is incorporated in an improvement made to the property, on 6 or after January 1, 2023.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect January 1, 2024, but only 7 8 if the constitutional amendment proposed by the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, to authorize the legislature to exclude from 9 the market value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes the 10 value of any improvement, or any feature incorporated in an 11 improvement, made to the property if the primary purpose of the 12 improvement or feature is compliance with the requirements of 13 standards that address accessible design of buildings or other 14 15 facilities is approved by the voters. If that amendment is not approved by the voters, this Act has no effect. 16

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