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H.B. No. 837

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the use of appropriated money by the Texas Military  
3 Department or Texas military forces for recruiting and retention  
4 purposes.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section [2113.011](#), Government Code, is amended by  
7 adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

8 (f) This section does not prohibit the Texas Military  
9 Department or the Texas military forces from using appropriated  
10 money for the purpose of recruiting or retaining service members,  
11 employees, or other personnel. In this subsection, "service  
12 member," "Texas Military Department," and "Texas military forces"  
13 have the meanings assigned by Section [437.001](#).

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
16 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
18 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.