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H.B. No. 1494

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the interpretation of certain laws protecting the free exercise of religion.

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

SECTION 1. Section 110.009(b), Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The protection of religious freedom afforded by this chapter is in addition to the protections provided under federal law and the constitutions of this state and the United States. This chapter may not be construed to affect or interpret Section 4, 5, 6, 6-a, or 7, Article I, Texas Constitution.

SECTION 2. The amendment by this Act of Section 110.009, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is intended to clarify rather than change existing law.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.