By: Thierry H.B. No. 2679

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to a study and report on the establishment and
- 3 implementation of a program that provides financial assistance to
- 4 property owners who offer housing to veterans at risk of
- 5 homelessness.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 7 SECTION 1. (a) In this section, "council" means the Texas
- 8 Interagency Council for the Homeless.
- 9 (b) The council shall conduct a study to evaluate the
- 10 feasibility, methods, and costs of establishing and implementing a
- 11 program that provides financial assistance to property owners who
- 12 offer housing to veterans at risk of homelessness.
- 13 (c) In conducting the study, the council shall:
- 14 (1) evaluate and identify any sources of funding that
- 15 might be available to cover the probable cost of the program;
- 16 (2) evaluate methods that have been implemented by
- 17 other states to provide a similar program; and
- 18 (3) identify the state agency or agencies that could
- 19 most efficiently implement and administer the program.
- 20 (d) Not later than September 1, 2024, the council shall
- 21 submit to the legislature a written report on the results of the
- 22 study and any recommendations for legislative or other action.
- 23 (e) This section expires September 1, 2025.
- 24 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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- 1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 4 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.