By: Hinojosa S.B. No. 733

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 2303.003, Government Code, is amended by 6 amending Subdivision (7) to read as follows:
- 7 (7) "Qualified employee" means a person who:
- 8 (A) works for a qualified business;
- 9 (B) receives wages from the qualified business 10 from which employment taxes are deducted; and
- 11 (C) performs at least 50 percent of the person's
- 12 service for the business at the qualified business site, or if the
- 13 person engages in [the transportation of goods or] services
- 14 offsite, the person reports to the qualified business site and
- 15 resides within 50 miles of the qualified business site.
- SECTION 2. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of this
- 17 section, Section 2303.003, Government Code, as amended by this Act,
- 18 applies to an application for an enterprise project designation
- 19 under the enterprise zone program under Chapter 2303, Government
- 20 Code, as amended by this Act, that is submitted on or after the
- 21 effective date of this Act. An application for an enterprise
- 22 project designation under the enterprise zone program that is
- 23 submitted before the effective date of this Act is governed by the
- 24 law in effect on the date the application was submitted, and the

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- 1 former law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- 2 (b) Section 2303.003, Government Code, as amended by this
- 3 Act, applies to an enterprise project that is under audit or subject
- 4 to audit by the comptroller of public accounts on or after the
- 5 effective date of this Act.
- 6 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 10 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.