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S.B. No. 1605

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the reduction of the rates of the franchise tax.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 171.002(a) and (b), Tax Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) Subject to Sections 171.003 and 171.1016 and except as provided by Subsection (b), the rate of the franchise tax is 0.6 [~~0.75~~] percent of taxable margin.

(b) Subject to Sections 171.003 and 171.1016, the rate of the franchise tax is 0.3 [~~0.375~~] percent of taxable margin for those taxable entities primarily engaged in retail or wholesale trade.

SECTION 2. Section 171.1016(b), Tax Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The amount of the tax for which a taxable entity that elects to pay the tax as provided by this section is liable is computed by:

(1) determining the taxable entity's total revenue from its entire business, as determined under Section 171.1011;

(2) apportioning the amount computed under Subdivision (1) to this state, as provided by Section 171.106, to determine the taxable entity's apportioned total revenue; and

(3) multiplying the amount computed under Subdivision (2) by the rate of 0.265 [~~0.331~~] percent.

SECTION 3. This Act applies only to a report originally due

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1 on or after the effective date of this Act.

2 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect January 1, 2024.