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H.B. No. 503

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the eligibility of certain counties to participate in
3 the rural sheriff's office salary assistance grant program and the
4 rural prosecutor's office salary assistance grant program.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 130.911(a)(2), Local Government Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

10 SECTION 2. Section 130.911(d), Local Government Code, is
11 amended to read as follows:

12 (d) The comptroller shall award a grant to a qualified
13 county that applies for the grant using money appropriated to the
14 comptroller for that purpose. The grant must be in the following
15 applicable amount:

16 (1) \$250,000 if the county has a population of less
17 than 10,000;

18 (2) \$350,000 if the county has a population of 10,000
19 or more and less than 50,000: [er]

20 (3) \$500,000 if the county has a population of 50,000
21 or more and less than 300,000: or

24 SECTION 3 Section 130, 913(a)(2), Local Government Code, is

1 amended to read as follows:

2 (2) "Qualified prosecutor's office" means, in a
3 jurisdiction with a population of 400,000 [~~300,000~~] or less, the
4 office of a district attorney, criminal district attorney, or
5 county attorney with criminal prosecution duties.

6 SECTION 4. Section [130.913\(d\)](#), Local Government Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (d) The comptroller shall award a grant to a qualified
9 prosecutor's office that applies for the grant using money
10 appropriated to the comptroller for that purpose. The grant must be
11 in the following applicable amount:

12 (1) \$100,000 if the prosecutor's office's jurisdiction
13 has a population of less than 10,000;

14 (2) \$175,000 if the prosecutor's office's jurisdiction
15 has a population of 10,000 or more and less than 50,000; [~~or~~]

16 (3) \$275,000 if the prosecutor's office's jurisdiction
17 has a population of 50,000 or more and less than 300,000; or

18 (4) \$375,000 if the prosecutor's office's jurisdiction
19 has a population of 300,000 or more and 400,000 or less.

20 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
22 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
24 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.