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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility of certain local governmental entities affected by the realignment of defense worker jobs or facilities to receive grants.

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

SECTION 1. Section 436.201(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The following local governmental entities are eligible for a grant under this subchapter:

(1) a municipality or county that is a defense community;

(2) a regional planning commission that has a defense community within its boundaries;

(3) a public junior college district that is wholly or partly located in a defense community;

(4) a campus or education extension center of the Texas State Technical College System that is located in a defense community;

(5) a defense base development authority created under Chapter 379B, Local Government Code; ~~and~~

(6) a political subdivision that has the power of a defense base development authority created under Chapter 379B, Local Government Code; and

(7) a municipally owned utility that acts as a retail

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1 public utility, as those terms are defined by Section 13.002, Water
2 Code, in a defense community.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.