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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

19 (5) a defense base development authority created under
20 Chapter 379B, Local Government Code; [and]

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

24 (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.