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H.B. No. 1353

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to international cooperation agreements between certain state agencies and the United Mexican States and funding for infrastructure investment in this state; providing authority for certain agencies to issue bonds.

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

SECTION 1. Section 792.005(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Only the following state agencies may issue bonds under this section:

- (1) the Department of Agriculture;
- (2) the Texas Department of Economic Development;
- (3) the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs;
- (4) the Texas Public Finance Authority;
- (5) the Texas Turnpike Authority; ~~[or]~~
- (6) the Texas Water Development Board;
- (7) the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; or
- (8) the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

SECTION 2. Section 792.006, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 792.006. APPROVAL OF GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD. An agreement made by a state agency under this chapter that involves the use of money appropriated from the state treasury for

1 projects inside or outside of this state is not valid unless it is
2 approved by the governor and the Legislative Budget Board.

3 SECTION 3. Chapter 792, Government Code, is amended by
4 adding Section 792.007 to read as follows:

5 Sec. 792.007. INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS. An agency
6 described by Section 792.005(b) may create a funding mechanism to
7 jointly invest in and leverage funding for infrastructure in Texas
8 with the North American Development Bank.

9 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.