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H.B. No. 1471

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the designation of Diwali and Dashain as optional
3 holidays.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 662.003(c), Government Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 (c) An "optional holiday" includes only:

8 (1) the days on which Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, or
9 Good Friday fall;

10 (2) one day of the Diwali festival selected by the
11 state employee observing the optional holiday; and

12 (3) one day of the Dashain festival selected by the
13 state employee observing the optional holiday [~~falls~~].

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