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2 relating to the authority of the Brazoria County Commissioners Court to execute tax abatement agreements for property within the 3 Port Freeport district. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 6 SECTION 1. Section 5002.203, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows: 7 Sec. 5002.203. DESIGNATION OF REINVESTMENT 8 ZONE. (a) 9 Notwithstanding Subchapters [Subchapter] B and C, Chapter 312, Tax Code, the district may submit a written request 10 11 commissioners court of a county in which a property owned by the 12 district is located for the commissioners court to designate the property as a reinvestment zone [or area] for the purposes of 13 14 Chapter 312, Tax Code. The commissioners court may designate the property as a reinvestment zone [or area] if the commissioners 15 16 court finds the criteria set forth in Section 312.202, Tax Code, are 17 met for the property as if a municipality in which the property is located were creating the zone. 18 19 (b) The commissioners court may execute a tax abatement agreement with the owner of a leasehold interest in tax-exempt real 20 property or property owned by the district located in a 21

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reinvestment zone designated under this subchapter to exempt all or

a portion of the value of the leasehold interest in the real

property. The court may execute a tax abatement agreement with the

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- 1 owners of tangible personal property or an improvement located on
- 2 tax-exempt real property or property owned by the district that is
- 3 <u>located in a reinvestment zone designated under this subchapter to</u>
- 4 exempt all or a portion of the value of the tangible personal
- 5 property or improvement located on the real property.
- 6 (c) The other terms of an agreement entered into under this
- 7 <u>section are governed by Chapter 312, Tax Code.</u>
- 8 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 9 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 10 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 11 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 12 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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President of the Senate	Speaker of the House		
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23, 2025, by the following vote:	Yeas 129, Nays 19, 2 present, not		
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	Chief Clerk of the House		
I certify that H.B. No. 202	27 was passed by the Senate on May		
19, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 3.			
	Secretary of the Senate		
APPROVED:			
Date			
Governor			