- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to an interstate compact for the liquefied natural gas
- 3 industry.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Title 7, Government Code, is amended by adding
- 6 Chapter 760 to read as follows:
- 7 CHAPTER 760. GULF STATES LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS INDUSTRY COMPACT
- 8 Sec. 760.001. AUTHORITY TO DEVELOP AND EXECUTE COMPACT. On
- 9 behalf of this state, the governor may develop and execute an
- 10 interstate compact for the liquefied natural gas industry among
- 11 states that border the Gulf of America.
- 12 Sec. 760.002. CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED. (a) It
- 13 is the intent of the legislature that the compact developed and
- 14 executed under this chapter not require congressional approval.
- 15 (b) The compact may not increase the political power of the
- 16 compacting states in relation to the federal government.
- 17 Sec. 760.003. INTERSTATE COMPACT PROVISIONS. The compact
- 18 authorized by this chapter must provide for joint action among
- 19 compacting states on matters that include sharing information,
- 20 <u>resources</u>, and services to:
- 21 (1) protect and grow the liquefied natural gas
- 22 industry along the gulf coast; and
- 23 (2) improve coordination to increase the overall
- 24 effectiveness and efficiency of the liquefied natural gas industry

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1 along the gulf coast.

- 2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 6 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

President of the Senate	Speaker of the House
I certify that H.B. No. 289	O was passed by the House on April
23, 2025, by the following vote:	Yeas 137, Nays 9, 2 present, not
voting.	
	Chief Clerk of the House
I certify that H.B. No. 289	00 was passed by the Senate on May
14, 2025, by the following vote:	Yeas 31, Nays 0.
	Secretary of the Senate
APPROVED:	
Date	
Governor	