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H.B. No. 3018

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a study of alternative methods of taxation to replace
3 revenue lost to political subdivisions if ad valorem taxes are
4 abolished.

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

6 SECTION 1. DEFINITION. In this Act, "commission" means the
7 Commission to Study Measures to Abolish Ad Valorem Taxes.

8 SECTION 2. COMPOSITION OF COMMISSION. The commission is
9 composed of nine members as follows:

- 10 (1) the comptroller of public accounts;
11 (2) three members of the senate appointed by the
12 lieutenant governor;
13 (3) three members of the house of representatives
14 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; and
15 (4) two public members appointed by the governor.

16 SECTION 3. PRESIDING OFFICER. The comptroller of public
17 accounts is the presiding officer of the commission.

18 SECTION 4. MEETINGS. The commission shall meet at the call
19 of the presiding officer of the commission.

20 SECTION 5. STAFF. The staff of the office of the
21 comptroller of public accounts shall serve as the staff of the
22 commission.

23 SECTION 6. COMPENSATION; REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES. A
24 commission member is not entitled to receive compensation for

1 service on the commission but is entitled to reimbursement for
2 actual and necessary expenses, including travel expenses, incurred
3 by the member in performing commission duties.

4 SECTION 7. STUDY. The commission shall conduct a study of
5 alternative methods of taxation to replace revenue lost to
6 political subdivisions if ad valorem taxes are abolished.

7 SECTION 8. REPORT. Not later than December 1, 2026, the
8 commission shall issue a report of the results of the study,
9 including any legislative recommendations, to the governor, the
10 lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives,
11 and the presiding officer of each legislative standing committee
12 with jurisdiction over taxation.

13 SECTION 9. ABOLITION AND EXPIRATION. The commission is
14 abolished and this Act expires September 1, 2027.

15 SECTION 10. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect
16 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members
17 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas
18 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for
19 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2025.