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H.B. No. 4732

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to state recognition of and prohibited gaming activities
by the Lipan Apache Tribe of Texas.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Title 11, Government Code, is
amended to read as follows:

TITLE 11. STATE SYMBOLS, RECOGNITIONS, AND HONORS; PRESERVATION

SECTION 2. The heading to Subtitle A, Title 11, Government
Code, is amended to read as follows:

SUBTITLE A. STATE SYMBOLS, RECOGNITIONS, AND HONORS

SECTION 3. Subtitle A, Title 11, Government Code, is
amended by adding Chapter 3102 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 3102. STATE RECOGNITION

Sec. 3102.001. STATE RECOGNITION OF NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN
TRIBE; PROHIBITED GAMING ACTIVITIES. (a) The Lipan Apache Tribe of
Texas is:

(1) designated and recognized by this state as a
Native American Indian Tribe exercising substantial governmental
powers and duties; and

(2) recognized as eligible for all programs, services,
authorizations, including marketing and sales authorizations, and
other benefits provided to state-recognized Native American Indian
Tribes by the United States, this state, or any other state because
of the tribe members' status as Native American Indians.

1 (b) All gaming activities prohibited by the laws of this
2 state are prohibited on the reservation and lands of the Lipan
3 Apache Tribe of Texas. A person who violates this subsection is
4 liable for the same civil and criminal penalties provided by state
5 law for engaging in the prohibited gaming activities.

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