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H.B. No. 5356

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 5356:

By: Bell of Montgomery

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the authority of a municipality to regulate activities
3 involving a horse-drawn carriage.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 229, Local Government
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 229.902 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 229.902. AUTHORITY TO REGULATE HORSE-DRAWN CARRIAGES.

8 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), a municipality may not
9 adopt or enforce an ordinance, regulation, or other measure that
10 prohibits or limits a person from engaging in an activity involving
11 a horse-drawn carriage, regardless of whether the activity is for a
12 business, educational, or entertainment purpose.

13 (b) This section does not apply to an ordinance, regulation,
14 or other measure that:

15 (1) was adopted before October 1, 2024;

16 (2) effects veterinary care, city inspections, or
17 enforcement of state animal cruelty laws; or

18 (3) relates to the maximum or minimum temperature at
19 which a person may engage in an activity involving a horse-drawn
20 carriage.

21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.