

1-1 By: Howard, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Johnson) H.B. No. 5616  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 30, 2025;  
1-3 May 22, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Economic  
1-4 Development; May 26, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable  
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0;  
1-6 May 26, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9 King	X			
1-10 Sparks	X			
1-11 Alvarado	X			
1-12 Johnson	X			
1-13 Schwertner	X			

1-14 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 5616 By: Sparks

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the Texas presidential library promotion program and  
1-18 funding for the program.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Chapter 442, Government Code, is amended by  
1-21 adding Subchapter H to read as follows:

1-22 SUBCHAPTER H. TEXAS PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY PROMOTION PROGRAM

1-23 Sec. 442.301. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "program"  
1-24 means the Texas presidential library promotion program established  
1-25 under this subchapter.

1-26 Sec. 442.302. TEXAS PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY PROMOTION  
1-27 PROGRAM. (a) The commission shall establish and administer the  
1-28 Texas presidential library promotion program to:

1-29 (1) recognize that the presidential libraries in this  
1-30 state are vital historical and educational resources that attract  
1-31 visitors from across the country and contribute to this state's  
1-32 cultural and economic landscape; and

1-33 (2) provide funding and support to the presidential  
1-34 libraries, promote tourism, and educate the public on the  
1-35 contributions of the presidents from this state.

1-36 (b) The program is established to support the following  
1-37 presidential libraries in this state:

1-38 (1) The Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and Museum;

1-39 (2) The George H. W. Bush Presidential Library and  
1-40 Museum; and

1-41 (3) The George W. Bush Presidential Library and  
1-42 Museum.

1-43 (c) The program shall:

1-44 (1) provide financial support to the presidential  
1-45 libraries for the renovation and enhancement of permanent exhibits;

1-46 (2) market and promote the presidential libraries to  
1-47 increase tourism to and public awareness of the libraries; and

1-48 (3) in collaboration with the presidential libraries,  
1-49 develop a mobile exhibit to be displayed in communities, schools,  
1-50 and other public institutions that:

1-51 (A) features for each president significant  
1-52 artifacts, multimedia presentations, and educational materials;  
1-53 and

1-54 (B) highlights the historical impact and  
1-55 legacies of President Lyndon B. Johnson, President George H. W.  
1-56 Bush, and President George W. Bush.

1-57 (d) The commission may enter into a contract with a  
1-58 nonprofit entity for the nonprofit entity to administer and operate  
1-59 the program.

1-60 Sec. 442.303. FUNDING. (a) The commission shall establish

an account into which gifts, grants, and other donations received by the commission for purposes of this subchapter may be deposited.

(b) The commission may deposit money appropriated to the commission by the legislature for purposes of this subchapter into the account.

(c) The commission may spend money in the account only for a purpose described by this subchapter.

SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the Texas Historical Commission shall establish the Texas presidential library promotion program as required by Section 442.302, Government Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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