By: Paxton S.B. No. 2747 (Shaheen)

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to limitations applicable to certain agreements providing
3	for a rebate of municipal sales and use taxes or a grant or loan
4	based on those taxes.
5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
6	SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 321, Tax Code, is amended
7	by adding Section 321.006 to read as follows:
8	Sec. 321.006. LIMITATIONS ON CERTAIN SALES TAX INCENTIVES.
9	(a) In this section, "affiliated group" has the meaning assigned by
10	<u>Section 171.0001.</u>
11	(b) This section applies to one or more agreements:
12	(1) the parties to which include:
13	(A) a municipality or a local government
14	corporation or other entity created by the municipality; and
15	(B) a retailer or an entity that is a member of
16	the same affiliated group as a retailer;
17	(2) the terms of which include:
18	(A) the relocation of an existing place of
19	business of the retailer described by Subdivision (1)(B) or a
20	retailer that is a member of the same affiliated group as the
21	retailer or entity described by Subdivision (1)(B) to the
22	municipality described by Subdivision (1)(A) from one or more other
23	municipalities in this state; or
24	(B) the establishment in the municipality

- 1 described by Subdivision (1)(A) of a new place of business of the
- 2 retailer described by Subdivision (1)(B) or a retailer that is a
- 3 member of the same affiliated group as the retailer or entity
- 4 described by Subdivision (1)(B);
- 5 (3) that have the effect of sales tax being payable to
- 6 the municipality described by Subdivision (1)(A) instead of one or
- 7 more other municipalities in this state; and
- 8 (4) under which the municipality, corporation, or
- 9 other entity described by Subdivision (1)(A) agrees to:
- 10 (A) rebate to the retailer or entity described by
- 11 Subdivision (1)(B), a member of the retailer or entity's affiliated
- 12 group, or another party designated by the retailer or entity an
- 13 amount of tax imposed by the municipality under this chapter or an
- 14 amount of revenue derived from that tax; or
- 15 (B) provide a grant or loan to the retailer or
- 16 entity described by Subdivision (1)(B), a member of the retailer or
- 17 entity's affiliated group, or another party designated by the
- 18 retailer or entity in an amount that is based on an amount of tax
- 19 imposed by the municipality under this chapter or based on an amount
- 20 of revenue derived from that tax.
- 21 (c) Notwithstanding any other law, a municipality or a local
- 22 government corporation or other entity created by the municipality
- 23 may not enter into an agreement to which this section applies with a
- 24 retailer, a member of the retailer's affiliated group, or another
- 25 party designated by the retailer that results in the relocation or
- 26 establishment of a place of business as described by Subsection
- 27 (b)(2)(A) or (B) unless:

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- 1 (1) the agreement changes the economic position, other
- 2 than through a tax benefit, of the retailer, a member of the
- 3 retailer's affiliated group, or another party designated by the
- 4 retailer; and
- 5 (2) the retailer, member of the retailer's affiliated
- 6 group, or another party designated by the retailer has a
- 7 substantial purpose, other than a tax benefit, for entering into
- 8 the agreement.
- 9 (d) If the comptroller determines that a municipality,
- 10 local government corporation, or other entity has violated
- 11 Subsection (c), the comptroller shall, with respect to the
- 12 retailer, disregard the place of business described by Subsection
- 13 (b)(2)(A) or (B) when determining where the sale of taxable items is
- 14 consummated under Section 321.203 and revoke any sales tax permit
- 15 issued for the location.
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.