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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to county purchasing agents in certain counties located on the international border.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 262, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 262.0117 to read as follows:

Sec. 262.0117. ADDITIONAL COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT AUTHORITY IN CERTAIN COUNTIES LOCATED ON INTERNATIONAL BORDER. (a) This section applies only to a county located on the international border that has a population of less than 400,000 and contains one or more municipalities with a population of 200,000 or more.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, the commissioners court of a county by order may:

(1) abolish the office of a purchasing agent appointed under Section 262.011; and

(2) employ a person to act as county purchasing agent under Section 262.0115.

(c) The term of any purchasing agent whose office is abolished under Subsection (b)(1) expires on the date provided in the order. A purchasing agent whose term expires under this subsection is eligible to be employed as a county purchasing agent under Subsection (b)(2).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2027.