

1-1 By: Guillen, Bernal, Larson H.B. No. 2968  
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Menéndez)  
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2015;  
1-4 May 6, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural  
1-5 Resources and Economic Development; May 22, 2015, reported  
1-6 adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the following  
1-7 vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 22, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-10 Fraser	X			
1-11 Estes	X			
1-12 Birdwell	X			
1-13 Hall	X			
1-14 Hancock	X			
1-15 Hinojosa	X			
1-16 Lucio	X			
1-17 Nichols	X			
1-18 Seliger	X			
1-19 Uresti	X			
1-20 Zaffirini	X			

1-21 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 2968 By: Estes

1-22 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-23 AN ACT

1-24 relating to the preservation of the Alamo complex.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 31, Natural Resources  
1-27 Code, is amended by adding Section 31.450 to read as follows:

1-28 Sec. 31.450. FINDINGS. (a) The legislature finds that:

1-29 (1) the Alamo has played an important role in the  
1-30 history of this state and continues to be a symbol of liberty and  
1-31 freedom for this state;

1-32 (2) this state wants to honor the individuals whose  
1-33 lives were lost at the Alamo;

1-34 (3) the entire history of the Alamo, from the time the  
1-35 Alamo was established as a mission until the present, should be  
1-36 recognized; and

1-37 (4) the Alamo is a world-class destination that  
1-38 provides a place of remembrance and education.

1-39 (b) The land office is encouraged to consult and coordinate  
1-40 with the City of San Antonio on the planning and development of  
1-41 improvements to the Alamo.

1-42 SECTION 2. Section 31.455(a), Natural Resources Code, is  
1-43 amended to read as follows:

1-44 (a) The land office may establish an Alamo Preservation  
1-45 Advisory Board to provide advice, proposals, and recommendations  
1-46 to:

1-47 (1) promote the development of a world-class site to  
1-48 educate visitors on the history and importance of the Alamo in this  
1-49 state's fight for independence and to honor the people who lost  
1-50 their lives at the Alamo;

1-51 (2) promote and support the Alamo complex;

1-52 (3) [+] provide the resources and support necessary  
1-53 to advance the understanding and education of current and future  
1-54 generations on the historical significance and factual record of  
1-55 the Alamo complex;

1-56 (4) [+] inspire virtues of honor and Texas pride;

1-57 (5) [+] preserve the memory and achievement of  
1-58 individuals who served at the Alamo and provide a fitting tribute to  
1-59 the heroism of the people who paid the ultimate sacrifice for  
1-60 freedom and of the noble men and women of this state who have served

2-1 in the armed forces or died while serving in the armed forces to  
2-2 ensure the freedom of the people of this state;

2-3 (6) provide educational and museum facilities [~~(5)~~  
2-4 ~~promote and provide~~] for the preservation, perpetuation,  
2-5 appropriate publication, and display of manuscripts, books,  
2-6 relics, pictures, oral histories, and all other items and  
2-7 information related to the history of the Alamo complex and of this  
2-8 state that preserve the historical character of the Alamo shrine;  
2-9 and

2-10 (7) [~~(6)~~] promote, counsel, and provide support to  
2-11 governmental and private organizations that are committed to  
2-12 objectives similar to the objectives described in this subsection.

2-13 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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