

1-1 By: Raney (Senate Sponsor - Schwertner) H.B. No. 3629
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 4, 2015;
1-3 May 5, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural
1-4 Resources and Economic Development; May 22, 2015, reported
1-5 favorably by the following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0; May 22, 2015,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Fraser	X		
1-10	Estes	X		
1-11	Birdwell	X		
1-12	Hall	X		
1-13	Hancock		X	
1-14	Hinojosa	X		
1-15	Lucio	X		
1-16	Nichols	X		
1-17	Seliger	X		
1-18	Uresti	X		
1-19	Zaffirini	X		

1-20 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-21 AN ACT

1-22 relating to use and allocation of municipal hotel occupancy tax
1-23 revenues for certain municipalities.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 351.101, Tax Code, is amended by adding
1-26 Subsection (i) to read as follows:

1-27 (i) In addition to the purposes provided by Subsection (a),
1-28 a municipality that has a population of at least 75,000 but not more
1-29 than 95,000 and that is located in a county that has a population of
1-30 more than 160,000 but less than 200,000 may use revenue from the
1-31 municipal hotel tax to promote tourism and the convention and hotel
1-32 industry by constructing, operating, or expanding a sporting
1-33 related facility or sports field owned by the municipality, if the
1-34 majority of the events at the facility or field are directly related
1-35 to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are
1-36 tourists who substantially increase economic activity at hotels in
1-37 the municipality.

1-38 SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 351, Tax Code, is amended
1-39 by adding Section 351.1078 to read as follows:

1-40 Sec. 351.1078. ALLOCATION OF REVENUE: CERTAIN
1-41 MUNICIPALITIES. (a) A municipality that spends municipal hotel
1-42 occupancy tax revenue as authorized by Section 351.101(i):

1-43 (1) may not use municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue
1-44 for the acquisition of land for the sporting related facility or
1-45 sports field described by that subsection;

1-46 (2) shall annually determine and prepare and publish
1-47 on the municipality's Internet website a report on the events held
1-48 at the facility or field, the number of hotel room nights
1-49 attributable to events held at the facility or field, and the amount
1-50 of hotel revenue and municipal tax revenue attributable to the
1-51 sports events and tournaments held at the facility or field for five
1-52 years after the date the construction expenditures are completed;
1-53 and

1-54 (3) may only spend hotel occupancy tax revenue for
1-55 operational expenses of the facility or field if the costs are
1-56 directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of
1-57 participants are tourists who substantially increase economic
1-58 activity at hotels in or near the municipality.

1-59 (b) The municipality shall reimburse to the municipality's
1-60 hotel occupancy tax revenue fund from the municipality's general
1-61 fund any expenditure in excess of the amount of area hotel revenue

2-1 attributable to sporting events held at the sporting related
2-2 facility or sports field described by Section [351.101](#)(i) for five
2-3 years after the date the construction or expansion of the facility
2-4 or field described by that subsection is completed.

2-5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-7 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-9 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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