

1-1 By: Hunter, Howard (Senate Sponsor - Hinojosa) H.B. No. 2079  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 8, 2017;  
 1-3 May 10, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural  
 1-4 Resources & Economic Development; May 17, 2017, reported favorably  
 1-5 by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 17, 2017, sent to  
 1-6 printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-20 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-21 AN ACT

1-22 relating to the promotion of tourism related to the musical  
 1-23 heritage of this state.

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

1-25 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 442, Government Code, is  
 1-26 amended by adding Section 442.019 to read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 442.019. TEXAS MUSIC HISTORY TRAIL. (a) The  
 1-28 commission shall develop a Texas Music History Trail program to  
 1-29 promote and preserve Texas music history.

1-30 (b) The program, at a minimum, shall include:

1-31 (1) designation of locations or organizations that are  
 1-32 historically significant to this state's musical heritage;

1-33 (2) adoption of an icon, symbol, or other identifying  
 1-34 device to represent a designation under this section;

1-35 (3) the use of the icon, symbol, or other identifying  
 1-36 device in promoting tourism around this state and at the locations  
 1-37 or organizations designated under this section; and

1-38 (4) to the extent funds are available, the development  
 1-39 of itineraries and maps to guide tourists to locations or  
 1-40 organizations designated under this section.

1-41 (c) The commission shall adopt:

1-42 (1) eligibility criteria for a designation under this  
 1-43 section; and

1-44 (2) procedures to administer the program created under  
 1-45 this section.

1-46 (d) To implement this section, the commission may, as  
 1-47 necessary, enter into a memorandum of understanding with:

1-48 (1) the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office,  
 1-49 including the divisions of the governor's office responsible for  
 1-50 tourism and music, film, television, and multimedia;

1-51 (2) the Texas Commission on the Arts; or

1-52 (3) the Texas Department of Transportation.

1-53 (e) The commission may solicit and accept gifts, grants, and  
 1-54 other donations from any source to implement this section.

1-55 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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