Meza, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Hughes) (In the Senate - Received from the House May 10, 2021; H.B. No. 4056 1-1 By: 1-2 1-3 May 18, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development; May 21, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 21, 2021, sent to 1-4 1-5 1-6 printer.)

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COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Birdwell	Х			
1-10	Zaffirini	Х			
1-11	Alvarado	Х			
1-12	Hancock	Х			
1-13	Hinojosa	Х			
1-14	Hughes	Х			
1-15	Kolkhorst	Х			
1-16	Lucio	Х			
1-17	Seliger	Х			

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-20 relating to the establishment of a committee to study the formation 1-21 of a Texas Bicentennial Commission. 1-22 1-23

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

SECTION 1. DEFINITION. In this Act, "committee" means the 1-24 committee established under Section 2 of this Act.

1-25 SECTION 2. COMMITTEE. (a) The committee is composed of 77 1-26 members as follows:

1-27 (1) one member appointed by the governor who serves as 1-28 presiding officer of the committee;

(2) one member appointed jointly by the lieutenant governor and the speaker of the house of representatives who serves 1-29 1-30 1-31 as vice presiding officer; 1-32

(3)

two members appointed by each senator:

both of whom must be residents (A) of the senator's district;

> (B) one of whom must be male and the other female; one of whom must be: (C)

1-37 (i) a member of а county historical commission or local historical society in the senator's district 1-38 and recommended by the commission or society, if there is at least 1-39 1-40 one county historical commission or local historical society in the district; or 1-41

1-42 (ii) otherwise recommended by а countv 1-43 commissioners court in the senator's district as knowledgeable on 1-44 local history; and

1-45 one of whom must be selected after soliciting (D) input from each county judge in the senator's district on the 1-46 1-47 proposed member;

1-48 (4) four members appointed by the chair of the Texas 1-49 Legislative Black Caucus in consultation with the members of the 1-50 caucus;

four members appointed by the chair of the Mexican 1-51 (5) 1-52 American Legislative Caucus in consultation with the members of the 1-53 caucus;

1-54 (6) one member appointed by the commissioner of the 1-55 General Land Office to represent that office;

1-56 (7) one member appointed by the comptroller to 1-57 represent the comptroller's office;

1-58 (8) one member appointed by the executive director of 1-59 the Texas Historical Commission to represent that commission;

1-60 (9) one member appointed by the director and librarian 1-61 of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission; and

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(10) one member appointed by the executive director of 2-1 2-2 the Texas Commission on the Arts to represent that commission.

2-3 (b) The committee must reflect the racial, ethnic, and 2-4 geographic diversity of this state.

(c) The committee shall meet at the call of the presiding officer. Committee meetings may be held in person, by telephone, or 2-5 2-6 2-7 by other means of communication.

2-8 (d) The committee may establish subcommittees to assist the 2-9 committee in carrying out its duties under this Act.

2**-**10 2**-**11 (e) A member of the committee may not receive compensation for service on the committee.

2-12 (f) The General Land Office and the Texas Historical 2-13 Commission shall provide administrative support services at the request of the committee, including assisting in drafting and 2-14 2**-**15 2**-**16 compiling the report required by this Act.

(q) Committee meetings must be open to the public.

2-17 SECTION 3. STUDY; REPORT. (a) The committee shall study the formation of a Texas Bicentennial Commission to plan this 2-18 state's celebration of the 2036 bicentennial, including: 2-19

2-20 2-21 (1) the composition of the commission, the manner of appointing its members, and the total number of members; and 2-22

(2) the scope and duties of the commission.

Not later than December 30, 2022, the committee shall 2-23 (b) submit a written report to each member of the legislature with 2-24 2**-**25 2**-**26 recommendations on the areas of study described by Subsection (a) of this section and any other recommendations the committee 2-27 considers appropriate.

SECTION 4. EXPIRATION. The committee is abolished and this 2-28 2-29 Act expires January 1, 2023.

2-30 SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September 2-31 1, 2021.

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