

1-1 By: Howard, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Johnson) H.B. No. 5616
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 30, 2025;
1-3 May 22, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Economic
1-4 Development; May 26, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0;
1-6 May 26, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-10	X			
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1-14 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 5616 By: Sparks

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the Texas presidential library promotion program and
1-18 funding for the program.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Chapter 442, Government Code, is amended by
1-21 adding Subchapter H to read as follows:

1-22 SUBCHAPTER H. TEXAS PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY PROMOTION PROGRAM

1-23 Sec. 442.301. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "program"
1-24 means the Texas presidential library promotion program established
1-25 under this subchapter.

1-26 Sec. 442.302. TEXAS PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY PROMOTION
1-27 PROGRAM. (a) The commission shall establish and administer the
1-28 Texas presidential library promotion program to:

1-29 (1) recognize that the presidential libraries in this
1-30 state are vital historical and educational resources that attract
1-31 visitors from across the country and contribute to this state's
1-32 cultural and economic landscape; and

1-33 (2) provide funding and support to the presidential
1-34 libraries, promote tourism, and educate the public on the
1-35 contributions of the presidents from this state.

1-36 (b) The program is established to support the following
1-37 presidential libraries in this state:

1-38 (1) The Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and Museum;

1-39 (2) The George H. W. Bush Presidential Library and
1-40 Museum; and

1-41 (3) The George W. Bush Presidential Library and
1-42 Museum.

1-43 (c) The program shall:

1-44 (1) provide financial support to the presidential
1-45 libraries for the renovation and enhancement of permanent exhibits;

1-46 (2) market and promote the presidential libraries to
1-47 increase tourism to and public awareness of the libraries; and

1-48 (3) in collaboration with the presidential libraries,
1-49 develop a mobile exhibit to be displayed in communities, schools,
1-50 and other public institutions that:

1-51 (A) features for each president significant
1-52 artifacts, multimedia presentations, and educational materials;
1-53 and

1-54 (B) highlights the historical impact and
1-55 legacies of President Lyndon B. Johnson, President George H. W.
1-56 Bush, and President George W. Bush.

1-57 (d) The commission may enter into a contract with a
1-58 nonprofit entity for the nonprofit entity to administer and operate
1-59 the program.

1-60 Sec. 442.303. FUNDING. (a) The commission shall establish

2-1 an account into which gifts, grants, and other donations received
2-2 by the commission for purposes of this subchapter may be deposited.

2-3 (b) The commission may deposit money appropriated to the
2-4 commission by the legislature for purposes of this subchapter into
2-5 the account.

2-6 (c) The commission may spend money in the account only for a
2-7 purpose described by this subchapter.

2-8 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date
2-9 of this Act, the Texas Historical Commission shall establish the
2-10 Texas presidential library promotion program as required by Section
2-11 442.302, Government Code, as added by this Act.

2-12 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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