1-1 By: Bettencourt

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1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Bettencourt	Х	_		
1-10	Middleton	X			
1-11	Cook		X		
1-12	Gutierrez			X	
1-13	Nichols	X			
1-14	Paxton	X			
1-15	West		X		

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 2541

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By: Paxton

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-19 relating to the calculation of the unused increment rate of a taxing 1-20 unit.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 26.013(a)(3) and (4), Tax Code, are amended to read as follows:

- (3) "Year 1" means the <u>second</u> [third] tax year preceding the current tax year.
- preceding the current tax year.

  (4) "Year 2" means the [second] tax year preceding the current tax year.

SECTION 2. Section 26.013(b), Tax Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (b) In this chapter, "unused increment rate" means the greater of:
  - (1) zero; or
- (2) the rate expressed in dollars per \$100 of taxable value calculated according to the following formula:

UNUSED INCREMENT RATE = (YEAR 1 FOREGONE REVENUE AMOUNT + YEAR 2 FOREGONE REVENUE AMOUNT [+ YEAR 3 FOREGONE REVENUE AMOUNT]) / CURRENT TOTAL VALUE

SECTION 3. Section 26.013(a)(5), Tax Code, is repealed.

SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to the calculation of the unused increment rate, as defined by Section 26.013, Tax Code, as amended by this Act, for a tax year that begins on or after January 1, 2027. The calculation of the unused increment rate for a tax year that begins before January 1, 2027, is governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect January 1, 2026.

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