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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to the manner in which a municipality may impose a
- 3 moratorium on commercial property development.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 212.131, Local Government Code, is
- 6 amended by amending Subdivision (3) and adding Subdivision (4) to
- 7 read as follows:
- 8 (3) "Property development" means the new construction
- 9 of residential or commercial buildings on vacant land.
- 10 <u>(4) "Commercial property" means property zoned for or</u>
- 11 otherwise authorized for commercial use but excluding industrial
- 12 <u>use.</u>
- 13 SECTION 2. Section 212.132, Local Government Code, is
- 14 amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 212.132. APPLICABILITY. This subchapter applies only
- 16 to a moratorium imposed on property development affecting only
- 17 residential property, commercial property, or both residential and
- 18 <u>commercial property</u>.
- 19 SECTION 3. (a) This Act applies to a moratorium adopted on
- 20 or after the effective date of this Act.
- 21 (b) If a moratorium affecting commercial property was
- 22 adopted by a municipality before the effective date of this Act and,
- 23 under the terms of the moratorium, remains in effect later than the
- 24 120th day after the effective date of this Act, the municipality

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- 1 must comply with Section 212.136, Local Government Code, to
- 2 continue the moratorium in effect later than the 120th day after the
- 3 effective date of this Act.
- 4 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.