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H.B. No. 2836

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a study and report on the establishment and implementation of a program that provides financial assistance to property owners who offer housing to veterans at risk of homelessness.

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

SECTION 1. (a) The comptroller of public accounts shall conduct a study to evaluate the feasibility, methods, and costs of establishing and implementing a program that provides financial assistance to property owners who offer housing to veterans at risk of homelessness.

(b) In conducting the study, the comptroller shall:

(1) evaluate and identify any sources of funding that might be available to cover the probable cost of the program;

(2) evaluate methods that have been implemented by other states to provide a similar program; and

(3) identify the state agency or agencies that could most efficiently implement and administer the program.

(c) Not later than September 1, 2018, the comptroller shall submit to the legislature a written report on the results of the study and any recommendations for legislative or other action.

(d) This Act expires September 1, 2019.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.