

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 99, Page 2, Section 79.070, Line 4, by
2 inserting after all of said section the following:

3 "94.841. 1. The governing body of any special charter city with more than twenty-nine
4 thousand but fewer than thirty-two thousand inhabitants may impose, by order or ordinance, a tax on
5 the charges for all sleeping rooms paid by the transient guests of hotels, motels, and bed and
6 breakfast inns situated in the city or a portion thereof. The tax shall be not more than six percent per
7 occupied room per night, and shall be imposed solely for the purpose of promoting tourism, cultural
8 activities, business, and economic development, and for constructing related infrastructure and
9 improvements. The tax authorized in this section shall be in addition to the charge for the sleeping
10 room and all other taxes imposed by law, and shall be stated separately from all other charges and
11 taxes.

12 2. (1) No such order or ordinance shall become effective unless the governing body of the
13 city submits to the voters of the city at a state general, primary, or special election a proposal to
14 authorize the governing body of the city to impose a tax under this section. The ballot language shall
15 be in substantially the following form:

16 "Shall the City of (insert city name) impose a tax on the charges for all sleeping rooms
17 paid by the transient guests of hotels, motels, and bed and breakfast inns in the city at a rate not to
18 exceed six percent per occupied room per night for the sole purpose of promoting tourism, cultural
19 activities, business, and economic development, and for constructing related infrastructure and
20 improvements?"

21 (2) If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in
22 favor of the question, then the tax shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar
23 quarter after the director of revenue receives notice of the adoption of the tax. If a majority of the
24 votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the question, then the
25 tax shall not become effective unless and until the question is resubmitted under this section to the
26 qualified voters of the city and such question is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting
27 on the question.

28 3. The governing body of any city that has adopted the tax authorized in this section may
29 submit the question of repeal of the tax to the voters on any date available for elections for the city.
30 If a majority of the votes cast on the proposal are in favor of the repeal, that repeal shall become
31 effective on December thirty-first of the calendar year in which such repeal was approved. If a

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1 majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the
2 repeal, then the tax authorized in this section shall remain effective until the question is resubmitted
3 under this section to the qualified voters of the city, and the repeal is approved by a majority of the
4 qualified voters voting on the question.

5 4. Whenever the governing body of any city that has adopted the tax authorized in this
6 section receives a petition, signed by a number of registered voters of the city equal to at least ten
7 percent of the number of registered voters of the city voting in the last gubernatorial election, calling
8 for an election to repeal the tax imposed under this section, the governing body shall submit to the
9 voters of the city a proposal to repeal the tax. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the
10 qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the repeal, that repeal shall become effective on
11 December thirty-first of the calendar year in which such repeal was approved. If a majority of the
12 votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the
13 tax shall remain effective until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters
14 of the city and the repeal is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.

15 5. As used in this section, "transient guests" means a person or persons who occupy a room
16 or rooms in a hotel or motel for thirty-one days or less during any calendar quarter."; and

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18 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
19 accordingly.