CHAPTER 590

H.B. No. 2445

AN ACT

relating to property taxation of business inventory.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 23.12, Tax Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

- (a) The market value of an inventory is the price for which it would sell as a unit to a purchaser who would continue the business. An inventory shall include residential real property which has never been occupied as a residence and is held for sale in the ordinary course of a trade or business, provided that the residential real property remains unoccupied, is not leased or rented, and produces no income.
- (e) A person who owns an inventory to which Subsection (b) of this section applies may bring an action to enjoin the chief appraiser from certifying to a taxing unit any portion of the appraisal roll that lists an inventory for which the chief appraiser has not complied with the requirements of Subsection (b) of this section.

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 7, 1987, by a non-record vote; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 2445 on May 28, 1987, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 2445 on June 1, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 25, 1987, by a viva-voce vote; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 2445 on May 31, 1987, by a viva-voce vote.

Approved June 18, 1987.

Effective Aug. 31, 1987, 90 days after date of adjournment.