

CHAPTER 338

H.B. No. 253

AN ACT

relating to the operation of foreign trade subzones by joint airport boards.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2, Chapter 129, Acts of the 65th Legislature, Regular Session, 1977 (Article 1446.8, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. Authorized boards are hereby authorized to apply for permits, licenses, and other grants of authority, and to accept the same, to establish, operate, and maintain one or more foreign trade zones within any county or counties in which the airport of the authorized board is situated, as Texas ports of entry under federal law, and to establish, operate, and maintain other sub-zones *inside or outside those counties* [~~within the same counties~~], subject to all requirements of federal law and to the regulations of the Foreign Trade Zones Board of the United States or successor agency.

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, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on March 26, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate on May 23, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 11, 1987.

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