By: Bonnen of Brazoria

H.B. No. 32

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to decreasing the rates of the franchise tax.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Sections 171.002(a) and (b), Tax Code, are
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 (a) Subject to Sections 171.003 and 171.1016 and except as
- 7 provided by Subsection (b), the rate of the franchise tax is 0.95
- 8 [one] percent of taxable margin.
- 9 (b) Subject to Sections 171.003 and 171.1016, the rate of
- 10 the franchise tax is 0.475 [0.5] percent of taxable margin for those
- 11 taxable entities primarily engaged in retail or wholesale trade.
- 12 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to a report originally due
- 13 on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 14 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 2016.