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S.B. No. 1137

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the applicability of certain public works contracting requirements to a metropolitan rapid transit authority.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 451, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 451.1111 to read as follows:

Sec. 451.1111. EXEMPTION FROM OTHER CONTRACTING LAW. Chapter 2269, Government Code, does not apply to an authority. An authority may adopt design-build procedures that do not materially conflict with Subchapter H, Chapter 2269, Government Code.

SECTION 2. Section 2269.353(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A contract for a project under this subchapter may cover only a single integrated project. A governmental entity may not enter into a contract for aggregated projects at multiple locations. For purposes of this subsection, [+

~~[(1) if a metropolitan transit authority created under Chapter 451, Transportation Code, enters into a contract for a project involving a linear transit project with multiple stops along the project route for boarding passengers, created under Chapter 451, Transportation Code, the linear transit project is a single integrated project, and~~

~~[(2)]~~ a water treatment plant, including a desalination plant, that includes treatment facilities, well

1 fields, and pipelines is a single integrated project.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.