

Amend CSSB 1952 (house committee report) in Part 8 of the bill by adding the following appropriately numbered article and renumbering the other articles appropriately:

ARTICLE _____. AIR QUALITY STANDARDS

SECTION _____. Subchapter H, Chapter 2155, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2155.451 to read as follows:

Sec. 2155.451. VENDORS THAT MEET OR EXCEED AIR QUALITY STANDARDS. (a) This section applies only to a contract to be performed, wholly or partly, in an affected county, as that term is defined by Section 386.001, Health and Safety Code.

(b) The commission and other state agencies procuring goods or services may give preference to goods or services of a vendor that demonstrates that the vendor meets or exceeds any state or federal environmental standards, including voluntary standards, relating to air quality.

(c) The preference may be given only if the cost to the state for the goods or services would not exceed 105 percent of the cost of the goods or services provided by a vendor who does not meet the standards.

SECTION _____. Subchapter Z, Chapter 271, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 271.907 to read as follows:

Sec. 271.907. VENDORS THAT MEET OR EXCEED AIR QUALITY STANDARDS. (a) In this section, "governmental agency" has the meaning assigned by Section 271.003.

(b) This section applies only to a contract to be performed, wholly or partly, in an affected county, as that term is defined by Section 386.001, Health and Safety Code.

(c) A governmental agency procuring goods or services may give preference to goods or services of a vendor that demonstrates that the vendor meets or exceeds any state or federal environmental standards, including voluntary standards, relating to air quality.

(d) The preference may be given only if the cost to the governmental agency for the goods or services would not exceed 105 percent of the cost of the goods or services provided by a vendor who does not meet the standards.