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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

relating to municipal officer and employee participation in state travel services contracts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2171.055, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f) A municipal officer or employee who is engaged in official municipal business may participate in the commission's contract for travel services for the purpose of obtaining reduced airline fares and reduced travel agent fees. The commission may charge a participating municipality a fee not to exceed the costs incurred by the commission in providing services under this subsection. The commission shall periodically review fees and shall adjust them as needed to ensure recovery of costs incurred in providing services to municipalities under this subsection. The commission shall deposit the fees collected under this subsection to the credit of the municipality airline fares account. The municipality airline fares account is an account in the general revenue fund that may be appropriated only for the purposes of this chapter. The commission shall adopt rules and make or amend contracts as necessary to administer this subsection.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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