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H.B. No. 1273

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the sale of prison articles and products.

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

SECTION 1. Section 497.022, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 497.022. CONTRACTS. The department may contract with:

(1) another state, the federal government, a foreign government, or an agency of any of those governments to manufacture for or sell to those governments prison-made articles or products; ~~or~~

(2) a nonprofit organization that provides services to the general public and enhances social welfare and the general well-being of the community to manufacture for or sell to that organization prison-made articles or products;

(3) a private primary or secondary school or a private or independent institution of higher education to manufacture for or sell to that school or institution prison-made articles or products; or

(4) a private school or a visually handicapped person in this state to manufacture Braille textbooks or other instructional aids for the education of visually handicapped persons.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.