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H.B. No. 1904

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the transfer of certain state property from the Texas  
3 Department of Criminal Justice and the Department of Public Safety  
4 of the State of Texas to the City of Houston.

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

6 SECTION 1. (a) Before November 1, 2003, the Texas  
7 Department of Criminal Justice and the Department of Public Safety  
8 of the State of Texas shall transfer to the City of Houston, for  
9 consideration to which the parties mutually agree, their respective  
10 interests in the real property described by Subsection (d) of this  
11 section, including any improvements affixed to the property.

12 (b) Consideration for the transfer authorized by Subsection  
13 (a) of this section may be in the form of an agreement between the  
14 parties that requires the City of Houston to use the property for a  
15 purpose that benefits the public interest of the state. If the  
16 consideration for the transfer is in the form of an agreement  
17 described by this subsection:

18 (1) the City of Houston may use the property  
19 transferred under this Act only for a purpose that benefits the  
20 public interest of the state; and

21 (2) ownership of the property automatically reverts to  
22 the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and the Department of  
23 Public Safety of the State of Texas if the City of Houston no longer  
24 uses the property for a purpose that benefits the public interest of

1 the state.

2 (c) The Texas Department of Criminal Justice and the  
3 Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas shall transfer  
4 their respective interest in the property by an appropriate  
5 instrument of transfer. If the consideration for the transfer is in  
6 the form of an agreement described by Subsection (b) of this  
7 section, the instrument of transfer must include a provision that:

8 (1) requires the City of Houston to use the property  
9 for a purpose that benefits the public interest of the state; and

10 (2) indicates that ownership of the property  
11 automatically reverts to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice  
12 and the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas to the  
13 extent of each agency's former interest in the property if the City  
14 of Houston no longer uses the property for a purpose that benefits  
15 the public interest of the state.

16 (d) The real property to which Subsection (a) of this  
17 section refers is described as follows:

18 10110 Northwest Freeway (U.S. Highway 290), Houston, Texas.

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