

1-1 By: Cook of Colorado (Senate Sponsor - Shapleigh) H.B. No. 3045
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2003;
1-3 May 7, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Government Organization; May 24, 2003, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 24, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the limitation on the allocation of office space to
1-9 state agencies.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 2165.104(c), Government Code, is amended
1-12 to read as follows:

1-13 (c) To the extent possible without sacrificing critical
1-14 public or client services, the commission may not allocate usable
1-15 office space, as defined by the commission, to a state agency under
1-16 Article I, II, V, VI, VII, or VIII of the General Appropriations Act
1-17 or to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the Texas
1-18 Education Agency, the State Board for Educator Certification, the
1-19 Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board, or the Office of
1-20 Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System in an amount that
1-21 exceeds an average of 135 ~~[153]~~ square feet per agency employee for
1-22 each agency site. To the extent that any of those agencies
1-23 allocates its own usable office space, as defined by the
1-24 commission, the agency shall allocate the space to achieve the
1-25 required ratio. This subsection does not apply to:

1-26 (1) an agency site at which there are so few employees
1-27 that it is not practical to apply this subsection to that site, as
1-28 determined by the commission ~~[fewer than 16 employees are located];~~
1-29 and

1-30 (2) an agency site at which it is not practical to
1-31 apply this subsection because of the site's type of space or use of
1-32 space, as determined by the commission ~~[warehouse space,~~

1-33 ~~laboratory space,~~

1-34 ~~storage space exceeding 1,000 gross square feet,~~

1-35 ~~library space,~~

1-36 ~~space for hearing rooms used to conduct hearings~~
1-37 ~~required under the administrative procedure law, Chapter 2001, or~~

1-38 ~~another type of space specified by commission~~
1-39 ~~rule, if the commission determines that it is not practical to apply~~
1-40 ~~this subsection to that space].~~

1-41 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to a lease for usable
1-42 office space entered into or renewed on or after September 1, 2003.
1-43 A lease entered into or renewed before September 1, 2003, shall be
1-44 reviewed by the Texas Building and Procurement Commission as the
1-45 lease comes up for renewal to determine whether it would be
1-46 cost-effective to bring the lease into compliance with Section
1-47 2165.104(c), Government Code, as amended by this Act.

1-48 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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