1-1 By: Wentworth S.B. No. 1229 1-2 1-3 (In the Senate - Filed March 12, 2003; March 19, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; April 29, 2003, reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; 1-4 1-5 April 29, 2003, sent to printer.) 1-6

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1229 1-7

By: Wentworth

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-10 relating to competitive purchasing procedures for certain 1-11 counties. 1-12

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

SECTION 1. Section 262.0256, Local Government Code, 1-13 is 1**-**14 1**-**15 amended to read as follows:

Sec. 262.0256. PRE-BID CONFERENCE [FOR CERTAIN COUNTIES OR A DISTRICT COVERNED BY THOSE COUNTIES]. [(a) This section applies only to a county with a population of 2.8 million or more.

 $[\frac{(b)}{d}]$ The commissioners court of <u>a</u> [the] county or the governing body of a district or authority created under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, if the governing body is the commissioners court of the county in which the district is located, 1-18 1-19 1-20 1-21 may require a principal, officer, or employee of each prospective bidder to attend a mandatory pre-bid conference conducted for the 1-22 1-23 1-24 purpose of discussing contract requirements and answering 1-25 questions of prospective bidders. 1-26

SECTION 2. Section 271.0565, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

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1-31 [(b)] The commissioners court of <u>a</u> [the] county or the governing body of a district or authority created under Section 59, 1-32 Article XVI, Texas Constitution, if the governing body is the commissioners court of the county in which the district is located, may require a principal, officer, or employee of each prospective bidder to attend a mandatory pre-bid conference conducted for the 1-33 1-34 1-35 1-36 purpose of discussing contract requirements and answering 1-37 1-38 questions of prospective bidders. 1-39

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

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