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S.B. No. 1461

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the sale of used fire protection or fire-fighting equipment to certain volunteer fire departments.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 352, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 352.006 to read as follows:

Sec. 352.006. SALE OF USED FIRE PROTECTION OR FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT TO CERTAIN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS. (a) In this section, "volunteer fire department" includes a volunteer fire department that employs not more than two paid staff members.

(b) Notwithstanding Subchapter D, Chapter 263, or other law, the commissioners court of a county may sell used fire protection and fire-fighting equipment to a volunteer fire department for eight percent of the original purchase value of the equipment if:

(1) the fire protection or fire-fighting equipment is at least 15 years old; and

(2) the volunteer fire department provides fire protection to an area within the county.

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