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S.B. No. 1564

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to records and proceedings held in auxiliary facilities
3 outside certain county seats.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 292, Local Government
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 292.0025 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 292.0025. FACILITIES OUTSIDE COUNTY SEAT IN CERTAIN
8 COUNTIES. (a) This section applies only to a county that has a
9 population of 18,000 or less.

10 (b) The commissioners court of a county may provide an
11 auxiliary court, office building, or jail facility at a location in
12 the county and within five miles of the boundaries of the county
13 seat in the same manner that is applicable to a court, building, or
14 facility at the county seat. The commissioners court may provide
15 for the building or facility through the issuance of bonds as
16 provided under Section 292.002 and may provide office space in the
17 building or facility for any county or precinct office.

18 (c) The auxiliary court may be used for the holding of court
19 proceedings, including district court proceedings. For the purpose
20 of the court proceedings, the commissioners court may designate the
21 location of the auxiliary court as an auxiliary county seat.

22 (d) The records of a county officer who is provided space at
23 a court, building, or facility under this section and the records of
24 the auxiliary court may be kept at the court, building, or facility.

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