

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB845** by Howard (Relating to a purchasing preference for Texas vendors.), **As Passed 2nd House**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend Section 2155.444 of the Government Code to require the Building and Procurement Commission and other state agencies procuring services to give preference to services offered by a Texas bidder if the services meet state requirements regarding the service to be performed and expected quality, and the cost of the service does not exceed the cost of other similar services of similar expected quality that are not offered by a Texas bidder.

This bill would take effect September 1, 2003.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 303 Building and Procurement Commission, 551 Department of Agriculture

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