

1-1 By: Hegar, Howard (Senate Sponsor - Janek) H.B. No. 571
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 20, 2005;
1-3 April 21, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 12, 2005, reported favorably by
1-5 the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 12, 2005, sent to printer.)

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

1-8 relating to the establishment of auxiliary county facilities in the
1-9 unincorporated area of a county.

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

1-11 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 292, Local Government
1-12 Code, is amended by adding Section 292.030 to read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 292.030. FACILITIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREA OF COUNTY.

1-14 (a) The commissioners court of a county may purchase, construct,
1-15 reconstruct, improve, equip, or provide for by other means,
1-16 including by lease or lease with an option to purchase, a branch
1-17 office in the unincorporated area of the county.

1-18 (b) Any county officer may maintain an office and the county
1-19 may provide any county service at the branch office authorized by
1-20 this section. The maintenance of an office or the provision of a
1-21 service at the branch office must be in addition to an office
1-22 maintained or service provided at any other location required by
1-23 law.

1-24 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-25 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-26 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-27 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-28 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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