

1-1 By: Jackson, Smith of Harris H.B. No. 731  
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Madla)  
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 18, 2005;  
1-4 April 19, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-5 Intergovernmental Relations; May 19, 2005, reported adversely,  
1-6 with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 4,  
1-7 Nays 0; May 19, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 731 By: Madla

1-9 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-10 AN ACT

1-11 relating to an electronic requisition system for counties.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Section 113.901, Local Government Code, is  
1-14 amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsections (d) and  
1-15 (e) to read as follows:

1-16 (b) The requisition must be made, signed, and approved in  
1-17 triplicate. The original must be delivered to the person from whom  
1-18 the purchase is to be made before the purchase is made. The  
1-19 duplicate copy must be filed with the county auditor. The  
1-20 triplicate copy must remain with the officer requesting the  
1-21 purchase. This subsection does not apply to a county that operates  
1-22 an electronic requisition system.

1-23 (d) The commissioners court of a county may establish an  
1-24 electronic requisition system to perform the functions required by  
1-25 Subsection (a). The county auditor, subject to the approval of the  
1-26 commissioners court, shall establish procedures for administering  
1-27 the system.

1-28 (e) An electronic requisition system established under this  
1-29 section must be able to electronically transmit data to and receive  
1-30 data from the county's financial system in a manner that meets  
1-31 professional, regulatory, and statutory requirements and  
1-32 standards, including those related to purchasing, auditing, and  
1-33 accounting.

1-34 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-35 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-36 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-37 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-38 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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