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H.B. No. 908

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a pilot program on the use of the reverse auction procedure by the Texas Building and Procurement Commission.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2155.062(d), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) In this subchapter [~~section~~], "reverse auction procedure" means:

(1) a real-time bidding process usually lasting less than one hour and taking place at a previously scheduled time and Internet location, in which multiple suppliers, anonymous to each other, submit bids to provide the designated goods or services; or

(2) a bidding process usually lasting less than two weeks and taking place during a previously scheduled period and at a previously scheduled Internet location, in which multiple suppliers, anonymous to each other, submit bids to provide the designated goods or services.

SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 2155, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2155.085 to read as follows:

Sec. 2155.085. REVERSE AUCTION PROCEDURE: PILOT PROGRAM.

(a) At least 30 percent of the dollar value of goods purchased by the commission shall be purchased using the reverse auction procedure.

(b) On or before December 1, 2006, the commission shall

1 report to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the
2 house of representatives, the chair of the Senate Finance
3 Committee, and the chair of the House Appropriations Committee on
4 the effectiveness of using the reverse auction procedure to
5 purchase goods, including any cost savings realized by the state
6 from using the procedure.

7 (c) This section expires September 1, 2007.

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.