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H.B. No. 1057

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to Texas Building and Procurement Commission requirements  
3 for certain purchases by the Veterans' Land Board.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 2155, Government Code, is  
6 amended by adding Section 2155.149 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 2155.149. CERTAIN PURCHASES BY VETERANS' LAND BOARD.

8 (a) The Veterans' Land Board is delegated all purchasing functions  
9 relating to veterans homes and veterans cemeteries.

10 (b) The Veterans' Land Board shall acquire goods and  
11 services by any procurement method that provides the best value to  
12 the Veterans' Land Board. The Veterans' Land Board shall consider  
13 the best value standards listed in Section 2155.074.

14 (c) The commission shall procure goods and services for the  
15 Veterans' Land Board at the request of the Veterans' Land Board, and  
16 the Veterans' Land Board may use the services of the commission in  
17 procuring goods and services.

18 SECTION 2. Section 2166.003(a), Government Code, is amended  
19 to read as follows:

20 (a) Unless otherwise provided, this chapter does not apply  
21 to:

22 (1) a project constructed by and for the Texas  
23 Department of Transportation;

24 (2) a project constructed by and for a state

1 institution of higher education;

2 (3) a pen, shed, or ancillary building constructed by  
3 and for the Department of Agriculture for the processing of  
4 livestock before export;

5 (4) a project constructed by the Parks and Wildlife  
6 Department;

7 (5) a repair or rehabilitation project, except a major  
8 renovation, of buildings and grounds on the commission inventory;

9 (6) a repair and rehabilitation project of another  
10 using agency, if all labor for the project is provided by the  
11 regular maintenance force of the using agency under specific  
12 legislative authorization and the project does not require the  
13 advance preparation of working plans or drawings;

14 (7) a repair and rehabilitation project involving the  
15 use of contract labor, if the project has been excluded from this  
16 chapter by commission rule and does not require the advance  
17 preparation of working plans or drawings;

18 (8) an action taken by the Texas Natural Resource  
19 Conservation Commission under Subchapter F or I, Chapter 361,  
20 Health and Safety Code; ~~or~~

21 (9) a repair, rehabilitation, or construction project  
22 on property owned by the Texas Department of Housing and Community  
23 Affairs or the Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation; or

24 (10) a project constructed by and for the Veterans'  
25 Land Board.

26 SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
27 a contract or project for which the Veterans' Land Board first

1 advertises or otherwise solicits bids, proposals, offers, or  
2 qualifications on or after the effective date of this Act. A  
3 contract or project for which the Veterans' Land Board, or a state  
4 agency acting on behalf of the Veterans' Land Board, first  
5 advertised or otherwise solicited bids, offers, or qualifications  
6 before that date is governed by the law in effect when the first  
7 advertisement or solicitation was given, and the former law is  
8 continued in effect for that purpose.

9 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.