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H.B. No. 1459

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to requiring energy-saving devices for vending machines in
3 buildings owned or leased by the state; imposing an administrative
4 fine.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 2165, Government Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 2165.058 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 2165.058. VENDING MACHINES; ENERGY-SAVING DEVICE
9 REQUIRED. (a) The commission shall require the use of an
10 energy-saving device for each vending machine located in a building
11 owned or leased by the state.

12 (b) An entity that owns or operates a vending machine
13 subject to this section is responsible for any expenses associated
14 with the acquisition, installation, or maintenance of an
15 energy-saving device required by this section.

16 (c) The commission may impose an administrative fine on an
17 entity that operates a vending machine subject to this section in an
18 amount not to exceed \$250 a year for each machine found to be in
19 violation of this section or related rules adopted by the
20 commission.

21 (d) The commission shall adopt rules relating to the
22 specifications for and regulation of energy-saving devices
23 required by this section.

24 SECTION 2. (a) An entity that owns or operates a vending

1 machine subject to Section 2165.058, Government Code, as added by
2 this Act, is not required to comply with that section or a related
3 rule of the Texas Building and Procurement Commission until
4 September 1, 2006.

5 (b) Notwithstanding Section 2165.058(c), Government Code,
6 as added by this Act, the Texas Building and Procurement Commission
7 may impose a fine only in relation to a vending machine that is
8 found to be operating in violation of Section 2165.058, Government
9 Code, as added by this Act, or a related rule of the commission, on
10 or after September 1, 2006.

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