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H.B. No. 1562

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the authority of a local government to enter into an
3 interlocal contract with a federally recognized Indian tribe.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 791.011, Government Code, is amended by
6 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as
7 follows:

8 (a) A local government may contract or agree with another
9 local government or a federally recognized Indian tribe, as listed
10 by the United States secretary of the interior under 25 U.S.C.
11 Section 479a-1, whose reservation is located within the boundaries
12 of this state to perform governmental functions and services in
13 accordance with this chapter.

14 (b-1) A local government that is authorized to enter into an
15 interlocal contract under this section may not contract with an
16 Indian tribe that is not federally recognized or whose reservation
17 is not located within the boundaries of this state.

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