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H.B. No. 2389

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the disposition of surplus or salvage property by the Department of Public Safety to counties and municipalities.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 2175, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2175.1271 to read as follows:

Sec. 2175.1271. PRIORITY FOR TRANSFER OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY PROPERTY TO COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY. (a) The following political subdivisions are eligible to receive property under this section:

(1) a county with a population of less than 150,000; or

(2) a municipality with a population of less than 100,000.

(b) An eligible county or municipality may express interest in Department of Public Safety property during the 10 business days after the date the property is posted on the comptroller's website. Only a state agency may coordinate with the department for a transfer under Section 2175.125 during that period.

(c) If a state agency does not coordinate with the department for the transfer of the property during the 10-business-day period and a county or municipality eligible under this section expresses interest in the property during that period, the department shall transfer the property to the eligible county or municipality. The department may not collect a fee or other

1 reimbursement from the county or municipality for the property.

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