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H.B. No. 3022

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the sales tax information the comptroller must provide certain counties on request.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 323, Tax Code, is amended by adding Section 323.3022 to read as follows:

Sec. 323.3022. TAX INFORMATION. (a) The comptroller on request shall provide to a county that has adopted a tax under this chapter and that has a population of not more than 275,000 information relating to the amount of tax paid to the county under this chapter during the preceding or current calendar year by each person doing business in the county who annually remits to the comptroller state and local sales tax payments of more than \$25,000.

(b) A request for information under this section must be made in writing by the county judge.

(c) Information received by a county under this section is confidential, is not open to public inspection, and may be used only for the purpose of economic forecasting or for internal auditing of a tax paid to the county under this chapter.

(d) The comptroller may set and collect from a county reasonable fees to cover the expense of compiling and providing information under this section.

(e) Notwithstanding Chapter 551, Government Code, the

1 commissioners court is not required to confer with one or more
2 employees or a third party in an open meeting to receive information
3 or question the employees or third party regarding the information
4 received by the county under this section.

5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.