By: Gallego H.B. No. 3420

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to the powers of a municipal hospital authority.
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
4	SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 262, Health and Safety
5	Code, is amended by adding Section 262.037:
6	Section 262.037. Establishment of a Nonprofit Corporation.
7	(a) The authority may create and sponsor a nonprofit corporation
8	under the Business Organizations Code for the purpose of owning and
9	operating all or part of one or more ancillary health care
10	facilities consistent with the purposes of a hospital authority
11	under this Act.
12	(1) On or before December 31, 2009, the district may
13	create and sponsor a nonprofit corporation under the Texas
14	Nonprofit Corporation Act (Article 1396-1.01, et seq., Vernon's
15	Texas Civil Statutes) or the Business Organizations Code, as
16	applicable, and may contribute money to or solicit money for the
17	corporation.
18	(b) The authority shall appoint the board of directors of a
19	corporation created under this section.
20	(c) The authority may contribute money to or solicit money
21	for the corporation. In the event the authority contributes or
22	solicits money for the corporation, the authority shall establish
23	procedures and controls sufficient to assure that such money is
24	used for public purposes.

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- 1 (d) A nonprofit corporation created under this section has
- 2 the same powers as a development corporation under Section 221.030,
- 3 <u>Health and Safety Code.</u>
- 4 (e) This Subsection and Subsection (a)(1) expire December
- 5 31, 2009.
- 6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 9 act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 10 act takes effect September 1, 2005.