By: Lucio III H.B. No. 1106

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to considering ownership interests of disabled veterans
- 3 and recipients of the Purple Heart in determining whether a
- 4 business is a historically underutilized business for purposes of
- 5 state contracting.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 7 SECTION 1. Section 2161.001(3), Government Code, is amended
- 8 to read as follows:
- 9 (3) "Economically disadvantaged person" means a
- 10 person who is economically disadvantaged because of the person's
- 11 identification as a member of a certain group, including Black
- 12 Americans, Hispanic Americans, women, Asian Pacific Americans,
- 13 [and] Native Americans, and veterans as defined by 38 U.S.C.
- 14 Section 101(2) who either have a service-connected disability as
- defined by 38 U.S.C. Section 101(16) or have received the Purple
- 16 Heart, and who has suffered the effects of discriminatory practices
- or other similar insidious circumstances over which the person has
- 18 no control.
- 19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.