By: Ogden S.B. No. 314

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to considering ownership interests of disabled veterans
- 3 and recipients of the Purple Heart Medal 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
- 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, <u>disabled veterans</u> who are entitled to
- 14 specialty license plates under Section 504.202(b), Transportation
- 15 Code, and recipients of the Purple Heart Medal, and who has suffered
- 16 the effects of discriminatory practices or other similar insidious
- 17 circumstances over which the person has no control.
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.