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S.B. No. 687

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the use of TexasOnline by state agencies and local
3 governments.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 2054.1115, Government
6 Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 (a) A state agency or local government that uses TexasOnline
8 may use electronic payment methods, including the acceptance of
9 credit and debit cards, for:

10 (1) point-of-sale transactions, including:

11 (A) person-to-person transactions;

12 (B) transactions that use an automated process to
13 facilitate a person-to-person transaction; and

14 (C) transactions completed by a person at an
15 unattended self-standing computer station using an automated
16 process;

17 (2) telephone transactions;~~[7]~~ or

18 (3) mail transactions.

19 SECTION 2. Section 2054.252, Government Code, is amended by
20 adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

21 (b-1) The department may include in the electronic
22 infrastructure established under Subsection (a) a method by which a
23 state agency or local government may track payments, including cash
24 and credit card payments, received by the state agency or local

1 government, whether or not the payments are made through the
2 infrastructure.

3 SECTION 3. Section 2054.261, Government Code, is amended to
4 read as follows:

5 Sec. 2054.261. ASSISTANCE AND COORDINATION WITH OTHER
6 GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES. (a) The department shall:

7 (1) assist state agencies and local governments in
8 researching and identifying potential funding sources for the
9 project;

10 (2) assist state agencies and local governments in
11 using the project;

12 (3) assist the legislature and other state leadership
13 in coordinating electronic government initiatives; and

14 (4) coordinate operations between state agencies and
15 local governments to achieve integrated planning for the project.

16 (b) The department by rule shall adopt standards for state
17 agency Internet websites to ensure consistency and compatibility
18 with the project. Each state agency shall make its Internet website
19 conform to the standards.

20 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
24 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.