

AN ACT

relating to contracts awarded through competitive bidding by certain port and harbor facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 54.054(a), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as otherwise provided by this chapter, the board may award a contract involving the expenditure of funds in excess of the amount applicable to an expenditure of funds by a municipality under Section 252.021(a), Local Government Code, [more than \$25,000] only by competitive bidding.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

H.B. No. 4493

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4493 was passed by the House on May 12, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 149, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4493 was passed by the Senate on May 26, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor