

Amend CSHB 628 (house committee report) as follows:

SECTION _____. Section 44.031(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Except as provided by this subchapter, in determining to whom to award a contract, the district shall consider:

- (1) the purchase price;
- (2) the reputation of the vendor and of the vendor's goods or services;
- (3) the quality of the vendor's goods or services;
- (4) the extent to which the goods or services meet the district's needs;
- (5) the vendor's past relationship with the district;
- (6) the impact on the ability of the district to comply with laws and rules relating to historically underutilized businesses;
- (7) the total long-term cost to the district to acquire the vendor's goods or services; ~~and~~
- (8) for a contract for goods and services, other than goods and services related to telecommunications and information services or building construction and maintenance, whether the vendor or the vendor's ultimate parent company or majority owner:
 - (A) has its principal place of business in this state; or
 - (B) employs at least 500 persons in this state;and
- (9) any other relevant factor specifically listed in the request for bids or proposals.