

Amend Amendment No. 16 by Cook (bar code no. 824129, page 241)
by adding the following SECTION to the amendment:

SECTION _____. Subchapter B, Chapter 2155, Government Code,
is amended by adding Section 2155.0721 to read as follows:

Sec. 2155.0721. REDUCING STATE AGENCY DOCUMENTATION AND
REPORT COSTS. (a) The comptroller may identify opportunities to
provide cost savings and efficiency through the use of
transcription services to reduce the costs associated with the
creation of state agency documentation and reports.

(b) To the extent that cost savings are identified, the
comptroller shall contract with an experienced and proven provider
of cost-effective transcription services for the offsite
preparation of state agency documentation and reports.

(c) In evaluating prospective contractors to provide the
transcription service and in determining the most effective method
for providing the transcription services, the comptroller shall
consider the total costs of the transcription services, the
accuracy of the services provided, and state agency employee
satisfaction with the services provided.