

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The act creating the Midland County Hospital District (district) was passed several decades ago, recently amended, and more recently codified into the Special District Local Laws Code. Currently, the district is required to follow certain requirements for a construction or purchase contract involving the expenditure of more than \$25,000. H.B. 1110 aligns the procurement procedures of the district statute more closely with certain provisions of the Local Government Code.

H.B. 1110 amends the Special District Local Laws Code, in a provision of law relating to construction or purchase contracts by the district of Midland County, Texas, and effective April 1, 2011, to change the amount of the expenditure necessary to cause the provision to apply from more than \$25,000 to more than \$50,000 by reference to a provision of law relating to competitive requirements for purchases by municipalities. This bill changes the manner, from advertising to competitive bidding, by which a construction or purchase contract governed by the provision may be made.

H.B. 1110 amends current law relating to the contracting authority of the Midland County Hospital District.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 1061.112, Special District Local Laws Code, as effective April 1, 2011, as follows:

Sec. 1061.112. CONSTRUCTION OR PURCHASE CONTRACTS. Authorizes a construction or purchase contract that involves the expenditure of more than the amount provided by Section 252.021(a) (relating to requiring a municipality to perform certain actions before a municipality may enter into a contract that requires an expenditure of more than \$50,000 from one or more municipal funds), Local Government Code, to be made only after competitive bidding in the manner provided by Chapter 252 (Purchasing and Contracting Authority of Municipalities), Local Government Code, rather than authorizing a construction or purchase contract that involves the expenditure of more than \$25,000 to be made only after advertising in the manner provided by Chapter 252, Local Government Code.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2011.