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H.B. No. 747

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the disclosure of certain information by a governmental  
3 entity with eminent domain authority in connection with an offer to  
4 purchase real property.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 21.0111(a), Property Code, is amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 (a) A governmental entity with eminent domain authority  
9 that wants to acquire real property for a public use shall disclose  
10 to the property owner at the time an offer to purchase is made:

11 (1) any and all existing appraisal reports produced or  
12 acquired by the governmental entity relating specifically to the  
13 owner's property and used in determining the final valuation offer;

14 (2) in a written statement, the reasons the  
15 acquisition of the property is necessary for public use; and

16 (3) on request of the owner, information and records  
17 relating to the governmental entity's analysis in selecting the  
18 property, including alternative properties considered.

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.