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H.B. No. 1189

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to school district consideration of a vendor's principal place of business in making a contract award determination.

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

SECTION 1. 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 building construction and maintenance, whether the vendor, or the vendor's ultimate parent company or majority owner, has its principal place of business in

1 this state; and

2           (9) any other relevant factor specifically listed in  
3 the request for bids or proposals.

4           SECTION 2. Section 44.031(b), Education Code, as amended by  
5 this Act, applies only to a contract entered into or renewed on or  
6 after the effective date of this Act. A contract entered into or  
7 renewed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law  
8 in effect on the date the contract was entered into or renewed, and  
9 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

10           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.