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H.B. No. 1283

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to consideration of a bidder's principal place of business
3 in awarding certain municipal contracts.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 271.9051(b), Local Government Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (b) In purchasing under this title any real property,
8 personal property that is not affixed to real property, or
9 services, if a municipality receives one or more competitive sealed
10 bids from a bidder whose principal place of business is in the
11 municipality and whose bid is within five percent of the lowest bid
12 price received by the municipality from a bidder who is not a
13 resident of the municipality, the municipality may enter into a
14 contract for construction services in an amount [~~an expenditure~~] of
15 less than \$100,000 or a contract for other purchases in an amount of
16 less than \$500,000 with:

- 17 (1) the lowest bidder; or
18 (2) the bidder whose principal place of business is in
19 the municipality if the governing body of the municipality
20 determines, in writing, that the local bidder offers the
21 municipality the best combination of contract price and additional
22 economic development opportunities for the municipality created by
23 the contract award, including the employment of residents of the
24 municipality and increased tax revenues to the municipality.

1 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
2 to a contract for which a request for bids is first published or
3 distributed on or after the effective date of this Act.

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