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H.B. No. 1869

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to local governments that may consider a bidder's  
3 principal place of business when awarding a contract.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 271.905(a), Local Government Code, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (a) In this section, "local government" means a  
8 municipality [~~with a population of 200,000 or less~~], a county [~~with~~  
9 ~~a population of 400,000 or less~~], or another political subdivision  
10 authorized under this title to purchase real property or personal  
11 property that is not affixed to real property. The term does not  
12 include a school district.

13 SECTION 2. Section 271.9051(a), Local Government Code, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 (a) This section applies only to a municipality [~~with a~~  
16 ~~population of less than 250,000~~] that is authorized under this  
17 title to purchase real property or personal property that is not  
18 affixed to real property.

19 SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
20 a contract for which the initial notice soliciting bids is given on  
21 or after the effective date of this Act. A contract for which the  
22 initial notice soliciting bids is given before that date is  
23 governed by the law in effect when the initial notice is given, and  
24 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1           SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.