

AN ACT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

H.B. No. 1869

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1869 was passed by the House on April 7, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1869 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor