By: Giddings (Senate Sponsor - West) (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2011; April 20, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; May 6, 2011, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 3, Nays 0; May 6, 2011, sent to printer.) 1-1 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-8 relating to local governments that may consider a bidder's principal place of business when awarding a contract. 1-9

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

1-10 1-11 SECTION 1. Section 271.905(a), Local Government Code, is 1-12 amended to read as follows:

section, "local (a) government" 1-13 In this means а municipality [with a population of 200,000 or less], a county [with 1-14 a population of 400,000 or less], or another political subdivision 1**-**15 1**-**16 authorized under this title to purchase real property or personal 1-17 property that is not affixed to real property. The term does not 1-18 include a school district.

1-19 SECTION 2. Section 271.9051(a), Local Government Code, is 1-20 1-21 amended to read as follows:

(a) This section applies only to a municipality [with a 1-22 population of less than 250,000] that is authorized under this 1-23 title to purchase real property or personal property that is not 1-24 affixed to real property.

1**-**25 1**-**26 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 1-27 initial notice soliciting bids is given before that date is governed by the law in effect when the initial notice is given, and 1-28 1-29 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 1-30

1-31 1-32 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 1-33 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 1-34 1-35 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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