

AN ACT

relating to the exception of an audit working paper of a hospital district from required disclosure under the public information law.

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

SECTION 1. Section 552.116(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) An audit working paper of an audit of the state auditor or the auditor of a state agency, an institution of higher education as defined by Section 61.003, Education Code, a county, a municipality, a school district, a hospital district, or a joint board operating under Section 22.074, Transportation Code, including any audit relating to the criminal history background check of a public school employee, is excepted from the requirements of Section 552.021. If information in an audit working paper is also maintained in another record, that other record is not excepted from the requirements of Section 552.021 by this section.

SECTION 2. Section 552.116(b)(1), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(1) "Audit" means an audit authorized or required by a statute of this state or the United States, the charter or an ordinance of a municipality, an order of the commissioners court of a county, the bylaws adopted by or other action of the governing board of a hospital district, a resolution or other action of a

1 board of trustees of a school district, including an audit by the
2 district relating to the criminal history background check of a
3 public school employee, or a resolution or other action of a joint
4 board described by Subsection (a) and includes an investigation.

5 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies to an
6 audit working paper created before, on, or after the effective date
7 of this Act.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2947 was passed by the House on May 5, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 4, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 2947 on May 27, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2947 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 25, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor