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H.B. No. 2978

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the applicability of open meetings requirements to
3 certain meetings of the governing board of a county hospital or
4 county hospital authority.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 551.085(a), Government Code, is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (a) This chapter does not require the governing board of a
9 municipal hospital, municipal hospital authority, county hospital,
10 county hospital authority, hospital district created under general
11 or special law, or nonprofit health maintenance organization
12 created under Section 534.101, Health and Safety Code, to conduct
13 an open meeting to deliberate:

14 (1) pricing or financial planning information
15 relating to a bid or negotiation for the arrangement or provision of
16 services or product lines to another person if disclosure of the
17 information would give advantage to competitors of the hospital,
18 hospital district, or nonprofit health maintenance organization;
19 or

20 (2) information relating to a proposed new service or
21 product line of the hospital, hospital district, or nonprofit
22 health maintenance organization before publicly announcing the
23 service or product line.

24 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.