

1-1 By: Duncan S.B. No. 577
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 9, 2011; February 17, 2011,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental
1-4 Relations; April 4, 2011, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; April 4, 2011, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the use of facsimile signatures for certain documents
1-9 involving certain municipalities.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Subdivision (3), Section 618.002, Government
1-12 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-13 (3) "Eligible contract" means a written evidence of
1-14 agreement, including a contract, purchase order, and surety bond,
1-15 and any related document, including an application, certificate,
1-16 and approval, other than a public security or instrument of
1-17 payment, that is executed, authenticated, certified, or endorsed
1-18 for or on behalf of a home-rule municipality with a population of
1-19 200,000 [~~1.9 million~~] or more.

1-20 SECTION 2. Subsection (b), Section 342.007, Health and
1-21 Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-22 (b) To obtain a lien against the property, the mayor,
1-23 municipal health authority, or municipal official designated by the
1-24 mayor must file a statement of expenses with the county clerk of the
1-25 county in which the municipality is located. The lien statement
1-26 must state the name of the owner, if known, and the legal
1-27 description of the property. A signature on a lien statement may be
1-28 a facsimile signature as defined by Section 618.002, Government
1-29 Code. The lien attaches upon the filing of the lien statement with
1-30 the county clerk.

1-31 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-32 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-33 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-34 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-35 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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