BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.S.B. 894 By: Whitmire State Affairs Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note that prior legislation called for unsolicited proposals for public-private partnerships on state land. Since that time, the parties further note, the Texas Facilities Commission has entered into discussions with private entities to develop land within the Capitol complex. The parties are concerned that such arrangements are not appropriate for development within the Capitol complex. C.S.S.B. 894 seeks to address these concerns.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

C.S.S.B. 894 amends the Government Code to prohibit the Texas Facilities Commission (TFC) from leasing, selling, or otherwise disposing of real property or an interest in real property located in the Capitol complex. The bill specifies that such a prohibition does not affect the TFC's authority to lease space in state office buildings and parking garages. The bill specifies that statutory provisions relating to developing construction projects through public-private contracts do not apply to a qualifying project located in the Capitol complex.

C.S.S.B. 894 amends the Natural Resources Code to establish that the duty of the asset management division of the General Land Office (GLO) to review and verify real property records and to make recommendations regarding real property and of the commissioner of the GLO to prepare a report involving real property does not apply to the real property located in the Capitol complex.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2013.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

C.S.S.B. 894 differs from the engrossed version in minor or nonsubstantive ways by conforming to certain bill drafting conventions.