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H.B. No. 1411

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to selection of certain statewide competition locations by the University Interscholastic League in a manner that provides equal access for institutions of higher education to students who exhibit academic or musical excellence.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 33, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 33.0834 to read as follows:

Sec. 33.0834. UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE: SELECTION OF LOCATIONS FOR CERTAIN STATEWIDE COMPETITIONS. (a) The University Interscholastic League shall select locations for statewide competitions in extracurricular academic or musical activities sponsored or sanctioned by the league in accordance with this section.

(b) For each extracurricular academic or musical activity for which the University Interscholastic League sponsors or sanctions a statewide annual competition, the league shall on a biennial basis issue a statewide request for proposals from institutions of higher education and other appropriate entities seeking to host the statewide competition for two consecutive years.

(c) A request for proposals must:

(1) specify the factors that the University Interscholastic League will consider in selecting the host for the

1 statewide competition; and

2 (2) require an entity to submit relevant information
3 regarding the capability of the entity to host the competition,
4 including available facilities, accommodations, and personnel.

5 (d) To the extent that acceptable proposals are submitted in
6 response to a request for proposals, the University Interscholastic
7 League shall select entities so that statewide competitions are
8 held in various regions of this state.

9 SECTION 2. Section 33.0834, Education Code, as added by
10 this Act, applies only to a statewide competition to be held on or
11 after September 1, 2014.

12 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.