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H.B. No. 2605

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the distribution of certain consultants' reports.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 2254, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2254.041 to read as follows:

Sec. 2254.041. DISTRIBUTION OF CONSULTANT REPORTS. A consulting services contract must include provisions that allow the state agency contracting with the consultant and any other state agency and the legislature, at the contracting state agency's discretion, to distribute the consultant report, if any, and to post the report on the agency's Internet website or the website of a standing committee of the legislature.

SECTION 2. Section 2254.041, Government Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a consulting services contract entered into on or after the effective date of this Act. A consulting services contract entered into before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the contract is entered into, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.