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H.B. No. 3688

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3688:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the purchase of computer equipment by the Department of Information Resources.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 2157, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2157.069 to read as follows:

Sec. 2157.069. PURCHASE OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT. (a) In this section:

(1) "Computer equipment" has the meaning assigned by Section 361.952, Health and Safety Code.

(2) "EPEAT" means the Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool operated by the Green Electronics Council.

(b) The department shall ensure that each solicitation by the department for computer equipment requires a vendor to:

(1) report on progress toward EPEAT certification of computer equipment;

(2) identify all EPEAT certified computer equipment offered by the vendor; and

(3) report to the department on a form adopted by the department state agency purchases of computer equipment from the vendor that are EPEAT certified, if the vendor is awarded a contract for computer equipment.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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