

House Bill 194
Senate Amendments
Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

SECTION 1. Section 2161.001(3), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(3) "Economically disadvantaged person" means a person who is economically disadvantaged because of the person's identification as a member of a certain group, including Black Americans, Hispanic Americans, women, Asian Pacific Americans, ~~and~~ Native Americans, and veterans as defined by 38 U.S.C. Section 101(2) who have suffered at least a 20 percent service-connected disability as defined by 38 U.S.C. Section 101(16), and who has suffered the effects of discriminatory practices or other similar insidious circumstances over which the person has no control.

SECTION 2. Section 2161.002, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) The comptroller shall adopt rules to provide goals for increasing the contract awards for the purchase of goods or services by the commission and other state agencies to businesses that qualify as historically underutilized businesses because the businesses are owned or owned, operated, and controlled, as applicable, wholly or partly by one or more veterans as defined by 38 U.S.C. Section 101(2) who have a service-connected disability as defined by 38 U.S.C. Section 101(16). The goals established under this subsection are in addition to the goals established under Subsection (c) and the goals established under Subsection (c) may not be reduced as a result of the establishment of goals under this subsection.

SECTION 3. Section 2161.125, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

SENATE VERSION (CS)

SECTION 1. Substantially same as House version.

No equivalent provision.

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CONFERENCE

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Sec. 2161.125. CATEGORIZATION OF HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES ~~[BY SEX, RACE, AND ETHNICITY]~~. The comptroller, in cooperation with each state agency reporting under this subchapter, shall categorize each historically underutilized business included in a report under this subchapter by sex, race, and ethnicity and by whether the business qualifies as a historically underutilized business because it is owned or owned, operated, and controlled, as applicable, wholly or partly by one or more veterans as defined by 38 U.S.C. Section 101(2) who have suffered at least a 20 percent service-connected disability as defined by 38 U.S.C. Section 101(16).

SECTION 4. (a) Unless expressly provided otherwise, if any provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.

(b) This section does not affect the power or duty of a court to ascertain and give effect to legislative intent concerning severability of this Act.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

No equivalent provision.

SECTION 2. Same as House version.