

AN ACT

relating to interstate compacts and cooperative agreements
relating to state purchasing.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2156.181, Government Code, is amended by
amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as
follows:

(a) The commission may enter into one or more compacts,
interagency agreements, or cooperative purchasing agreements
directly with one or more state governments, agencies of other
states, or other governmental entities or may participate in,
sponsor, or administer a cooperative purchasing agreement through
an entity that facilitates those agreements for the purchase of
goods or services if the commission determines that the ~~[entering~~
~~into an]~~ agreement would be in the best interest of the state.

(a-1) A compact or agreement described by this section may
not be used to purchase services that are defined as part of the
practice of engineering under Section 1001.003, Occupations Code,
or architecture under Section 1051.001, Occupations Code.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

H.B. No. 3342

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3342 was passed by the House on May 4, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3342 on May 23, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 125, Nays 6, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3342 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor