

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 2234
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Government Transparency & Operation
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note that the comptroller of public accounts must execute an interstate agreement each time out-of-state governmental entities wish to purchase goods or services through the comptroller. C.S.H.B. 2234 seeks to increase efficiency by authorizing the comptroller to unilaterally authorize such entities to so purchase and to charge a reasonable administrative fee for such a purchase, subject to certain limitations.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 2234 amends the Government Code to authorize the comptroller of public accounts to authorize one or more state governments, agencies of other states, or other governmental entities to purchase goods or services through the comptroller, subject to any limitation imposed by statutory provisions relating to interstate compacts and cooperative agreements for procurements. The bill authorizes the comptroller to charge a reasonable administrative fee for such a purchase.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 2234 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and formatted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

INTRODUCED

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 2156, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2156.182 to read as follows:
Sec. 2156.182. OTHER INTERSTATE PURCHASES AND SALES.

HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 2156, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2156.182 to read as follows:
Sec. 2156.182. OTHER INTERSTATE PURCHASES AND SALES.

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Notwithstanding any limitation imposed by Section 2156.181, the commission may authorize one or more state governments, agencies of other states, or other governmental entities to purchase goods or services through the commission. The commission may charge a reasonable administrative fee for a purchase of goods or services under this section.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Subject to any limitation imposed by Section 2156.181, the commission may authorize one or more state governments, agencies of other states, or other governmental entities to purchase goods or services through the commission. The commission may charge a reasonable administrative fee for a purchase of goods or services under this section.

SECTION 2. Same as introduced version.