

1-1 By: Israel (Senate Sponsor - Watson) H.B. No. 1764
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 10, 2017;
 1-3 May 10, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Transportation; May 19, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable
 1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0;
 1-6 May 19, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
1-10	X			
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1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14	X			
1-15	X			
1-16	X			
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1764 By: Hall

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the operation of metropolitan rapid transit
 1-22 authorities.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 451.110(c), Transportation Code, is
 1-25 amended to read as follows:

1-26 (c) Subsection (a) does not apply to a contract for:

1-27 (1) an amount less than or equal to the simplified
 1-28 acquisition threshold as defined by the Federal Acquisition
 1-29 Regulation (48 C.F.R. Section 2.101) or a successor regulation
 1-30 [\$50,000 or less];

1-31 (2) the purchase of real property;

1-32 (3) personal or professional services; or

1-33 (4) the acquisition of an existing transit system.

1-34 SECTION 2. Section 451.111(a), Transportation Code, is
 1-35 amended to read as follows:

1-36 (a) Except as provided by Subchapter Q, unless the posting
 1-37 requirement in Subsection (b) is satisfied, a board may not let a
 1-38 contract that is:

1-39 (1) for more than the simplified acquisition threshold
 1-40 as defined by the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 C.F.R. Section
 1-41 2.101) or a successor regulation [\$50,000]; and

1-42 (2) for:

1-43 (A) the purchase of real property; or

1-44 (B) consulting or professional services.

1-45 SECTION 3. Section 451.133(a), Transportation Code, is
 1-46 amended to read as follows:

1-47 (a) An authority may not spend for capital improvements
 1-48 money in excess of the total amounts ~~[amount]~~ allocated for major
 1-49 capital expenditures in the current and preceding annual budgets of
 1-50 the authority ~~[budget]~~.

1-51 SECTION 4. Section 451.362, Transportation Code, is amended
 1-52 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (e) to read as
 1-53 follows:

1-54 (a) Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter and
 1-55 except as provided by Subsections (c), ~~[and]~~ (d), and (e), the
 1-56 board, by order or resolution, may issue bonds that are secured by
 1-57 revenue or taxes of the authority if the bonds:

1-58 (1) have a term of not more than 12 months; and

1-59 (2) are payable only from revenue or taxes received on
 1-60 or after the date of their issuance and before the end of the fiscal

2-1 year following the fiscal year in which the bonds are issued.
2-2 (e) In an authority confirmed before July 1, 1985, in which
2-3 the principal municipality has a population of less than one
2-4 million, bonds may have a term of not more than 15 years. The bonds
2-5 are payable only from revenue received on or after the date the
2-6 bonds are issued.

2-7 SECTION 5. Sections 451.455(h) and (i), Transportation
2-8 Code, are amended to read as follows:

2-9 (h) The number of accidents per 100,000 miles is computed by
2-10 multiplying the annual number of accidents by 100,000 and dividing
2-11 the product by the number of miles for all service, including
2-12 charter and nonrevenue service, [~~directly operated by the~~
2-13 ~~authority~~] for the same period. In this subsection, "accident"
2-14 includes:

2-15 (1) a collision that involves an authority's revenue
2-16 vehicle, other than a lawfully parked revenue vehicle, and that
2-17 results in property damage, injury, or death; and

2-18 (2) an incident that results in the injury or death of
2-19 a person on board or boarding or alighting from an authority's
2-20 revenue vehicle.

2-21 (i) The number of miles between mechanical road calls is
2-22 computed by dividing the annual number of miles for all service
2-23 [~~directly operated by an authority~~], including charter and
2-24 nonrevenue service, by the number of mechanical road calls for the
2-25 same period. In this subsection, "mechanical road call" means an
2-26 interruption in revenue service that is caused by revenue vehicle
2-27 equipment failure that requires assistance from a person other than
2-28 the vehicle operator before the vehicle can be operated normally.

2-29 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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