

By: Davis of Harris

H.B. No. 2476

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to approval by the comptroller of public accounts of
3 certain contingent fee legal services contracts entered into by
4 public agencies.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 403.0305, Government Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 Sec. 403.0305. APPROVAL BY COMPTROLLER. A public agency as
9 defined under Section 30.003(3), Water Code, may not enter into a
10 contract as provided by Subchapter C, Chapter 2254, to bring a suit
11 under the Water Code in which the Texas Commission on Environmental
12 Quality is a necessary and indispensable party without review and
13 approval of the contract by the comptroller.

14 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
15 to a contract entered into on or after the effective date of this
16 Act. A contract entered into before the effective date of this Act
17 is governed by the law applicable to the contract immediately
18 before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in
19 effect for that purpose.

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.