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S.B. No. 262

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to certain purchasing by state agencies and local governments.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2157.068, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (k) to read as follows:

(k) To ensure accuracy, the department shall, in cooperation with state agencies, monitor and verify the purchase transaction reports submitted in accordance with department requirements by vendors reflecting monthly sales of commodity items included on the list maintained under Subsection (e).

SECTION 2. Section 2155.504(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by this subsection, a [A] state agency or local government may purchase goods or services directly from a vendor under a contract listed on a schedule developed under this subchapter. A state agency or local government contracting for the purchase of an automated information system shall comply with Section 2157.068(e-1). A purchase authorized by this section satisfies any requirement of state law relating to competitive bids or proposals [~~and satisfies any applicable requirements of Chapter 2157~~].

SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only in relation to a contract:

1 (1) for which a state agency or local government first
2 advertises or otherwise solicits bids, proposals, offers, or
3 qualifications on or after the effective date of this Act;

4 (2) that is extended or modified on or after the
5 effective date of this Act; or

6 (3) for which a change order is submitted on or after
7 the effective date of this Act.

8 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.