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By:  Gutierrez H.B. No. 2509

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2509:

By:  Raymond C.S.H.B. No. 2509

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to monitoring a state agency's compliance with the requirement to purchase certain goods and services from a community rehabilitation program.

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

SECTION 1.  Chapter 122, Human Resources Code, is amended by adding Section 122.0096 to read as follows:

Sec. 122.0096.  PROCUREMENT MONITORING. (a) The workforce commission may monitor the procurement practices of a state agency to determine compliance with this chapter. The workforce commission shall notify the state auditor's office if the workforce commission determines:

(1)  a state agency procured a product or service from a vendor other than a community rehabilitation program;

(2)  a suitable product or service that met the state agency's specifications was available, within the time specified by the agency, from a community rehabilitation program on the date the procurement was made; and

(3)  the procurement of the product or service from a community rehabilitation program was not exempted:

(A)  under Section 122.016; or

(B)  because the product or service failed to meet a specification described by Section 2155.138(a)(3), Government Code.

(b)  The workforce commission may request that the state auditor's office conduct an audit of a state agency described by Subsection (a) to determine the agency's compliance with this chapter.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.