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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to accelerated payments applicable to state contracts in which a small businesses concern performs services as a prime contractor.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 2155.001, Texas Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2155.388 to read as follows:

Section 2155.388, TIME FOR PAYMENT. Any contract made or entered into by a Texas government department or Texas agency with a Small Business Concern, as defined by Section 2155.505, Government Code, that performs services as a Prime Contractor, as defined by Section 2253.001, Government Code, may, to the fullest extent permitted by law, establish an accelerated payment date of 15 days after a proper invoice for the amount due is received provided that:

(1)  a specific payment date is not established by contract; and

(2)  no further consideration from or fees are charged to such prime contractor.

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