

1-1 By: Huberty (Senate Sponsor - Huffman) H.B. No. 1428  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 12, 2021;  
 1-3 April 13, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on  
 1-4 Jurisprudence; April 23, 2021, reported favorably by the following  
 1-5 vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; April 23, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Huffman	X			
1-8 Hinojosa	X			
1-9 Creighton	X			
1-10 Hughes	X			
1-11 Johnson	X			

1-13 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-14 AN ACT

1-15 relating to procurement by a political subdivision of a contingent  
 1-16 fee contract for legal services.

1-17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-18 SECTION 1. Section 2254.102(e), Government Code, is amended  
 1-19 to read as follows:

1-20 (e) This subchapter does not apply to a contract for legal  
 1-21 services entered into by a political subdivision for the collection  
 1-22 of an obligation, as defined by Section 2107.001, that is  
 1-23 delinquent ~~[under Section 6.30, Tax Code, Article 103.0031, Code of~~  
 1-24 ~~Criminal Procedure,~~] or for services under Section 1201.027, ~~[of~~  
 1-25 ~~this code]~~ except that Sections 2254.1032, 2254.1034, 2254.1036,  
 1-26 and 2254.1037 do apply to the contract. For purposes of this  
 1-27 subsection, an obligation does not include a fine or penalty that  
 1-28 results from an action by a political subdivision under Chapter 7,  
 1-29 Water Code.

1-30 SECTION 2. Section 2254.102(e), Government Code, as amended  
 1-31 by this Act, applies only to a contract entered into on or after the  
 1-32 effective date of this Act. A contract entered into before the  
 1-33 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect  
 1-34 immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is  
 1-35 continued in effect for that purpose.

1-36 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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