H.B. No. 1440

AN ACT

relating to the authority to approve change orders for certain municipal contracts.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 252.048, Local Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c-1) and adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(c-1)  If a change order for a public works contract in a municipality with a population of 240,000 [~~300,000~~] or more involves a decrease or an increase of $100,000 or less, or a lesser amount as provided by ordinance, the governing body of the municipality may grant general authority to an administrative official of the municipality to approve the change order.

(e)  This section applies only to a contract awarded through a competitive procedure as required by Section 252.021.

SECTION 2.  The changes in law made by this Act apply only to a change order approved on or after the effective date of this Act. A change order approved before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the change order was approved, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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    President of the Senate Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1440 was passed by the House on April 14, 2023, by the following vote:  Yeas 121, Nays 22, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1440 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 2023, by the following vote:  Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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                  Governor