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1 AN ACT 2 relating to the administration and functions of the Texas Building 3 and Procurement Commission and related matters. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 ARTICLE 1. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION SECTION 1.01. Section 2152.058(b), Government Code, 6 7 amended to read as follows: 8 (b) The commission shall meet at least quarterly [once each 9 month]. The commission may meet at other times at the call of the 10 presiding officer or as provided by the commission's rules. 11 SECTION 1.02. Subchapter B, Chapter 2152, Government Code, 12 is amended by adding Section 2152.065 to read as follows: Sec. 2152.065. REPRESENTATION ON BOARD OR COMMITTEE. 13 14 the commission must be represented on a board or committee, the 15 executive director or the executive director's designee shall serve 16 as the commission's representative on the board or committee unless the presiding officer of the commission elects to personally serve 17 18 as the commission's representative or appoints a specific person to serve as the commission's representative on the board or committee. 19 SECTION 1.03. Section 2152.104(a), Government Code, 20 21 amended to read as follows: 22 The commission shall have an appropriate number of [three] associate deputy directors. 23

ARTICLE 2. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT SERVICES

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- 1 SECTION 2.01. Subchapter A, Chapter 2165, Government Code, 2 is amended by adding Section 2165.007 to read as follows:
- Sec. 2165.007. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT SERVICES. (a) In
- 4 this section, "facilities management services" means any state
- 5 agency facilities management service that is not unique to carrying
- 6 out a program of the agency. The term includes services related to
- 7 <u>facilities construction, facilities management, general building</u>
- 8 and grounds maintenance, cabling, and facility reconfiguration.
- 9 (b) Notwithstanding any other law, the commission shall
- 10 provide facilities management services in relation to all state
- 11 agency facilities in Travis County or a county adjacent to Travis
- 12 County. The commission's duty does not apply to:
- 13 (1) a facility owned or operated by an institution of
- 14 <u>higher education;</u>
- 15 (2) military facilities;
- 16 (3) facilities owned or operated by the Texas
- 17 <u>Department of Criminal Justice;</u>
- 18 (4) facilities owned or operated by the Texas Youth
- 19 Commission;
- 20 (5) facilities owned or operated by the Texas
- 21 Department of Transportation;
- 22 (6) the Capitol, including the Capitol Extension, the
- 23 General Land Office building, the Bob Bullock Texas State History
- 24 Museum, and any museum located on the Capitol grounds;
- 25 (7) a facility determined by the commission to be
- 26 completely residential;
- 27 (8) a regional or field office of a state agency; or

- 1 (9) a facility located within or on state park
- 2 property.
- 3 SECTION 2.02. Subchapter B, Chapter 2165, Government Code,
- 4 is amended by adding Section 2165.057 to read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 2165.057. MANAGEMENT OF FACILITIES. (a) The
- 6 commission shall develop and implement policies that clearly define
- 7 the responsibilities of the commission and the commission's staff
- 8 that relate to conducting facilities management services for state
- 9 agency facilities under Section 2165.007.
- 10 (b) The state energy conservation office shall provide
- 11 utility management services for state agency facilities for which
- 12 the commission provides facilities management services under
- 13 <u>Section 2165.007.</u>
- 14 SECTION 2.03. On September 1, 2003:
- 15 (1) all powers and duties of a state agency that relate
- 16 to the facilities management services treated by Section
- 17 2165.007(b), Government Code, as added by this article, are
- 18 transferred to the Texas Building and Procurement Commission or the
- 19 state energy conservation office, as appropriate;
- 20 (2) all obligations and contracts of a state agency
- 21 that relate to the transferred services are transferred to the
- 22 Texas Building and Procurement Commission or the state energy
- 23 conservation office, as appropriate;
- 24 (3) all records and other property in the custody of a
- 25 state agency that relate to the transferred services and all funds
- 26 appropriated by the legislature to a state agency that relate to the
- 27 transferred services are transferred to the Texas Building and

- 1 Procurement Commission or the state energy conservation office, as
- 2 appropriate;
- 3 (4) all complaints and investigations that are pending
- 4 before a state agency that relate to the transferred services are
- 5 transferred without change in status to the Texas Building and
- 6 Procurement Commission or the state energy conservation office, as
- 7 appropriate; and
- 8 (5) a rule or form adopted by a state agency that
- 9 relates to the transferred services is considered to be a rule or
- 10 form of the Texas Building and Procurement Commission and remains
- 11 in effect until altered by the commission or the state energy
- 12 conservation office, as appropriate.
- ARTICLE 3. LEASE OF SPACE IN STATE-OWNED PARKING LOTS AND GARAGES
- SECTION 3.01. Subchapter E, Chapter 2165, Government Code,
- is amended by adding Section 2165.2035 to read as follows:
- Sec. 2165.2035. LEASE OF SPACE IN STATE-OWNED PARKING LOTS
- 17 AND GARAGES. (a) In this section, "lease" includes a management
- 18 agreement.
- 19 (b) The commission shall develop private, commercial uses
- 20 for state-owned parking lots and garages located in the city of
- 21 Austin at locations the commission determines are appropriate for
- 22 <u>commercial uses outside of regular business hours.</u>
- (c) The commission may contract with a private vendor to
- 24 manage the commercial use of state-owned parking lots and garages.
- 25 (d) Money received from a lease under this program shall be
- 26 <u>deposited to the credit of the general revenue fund.</u>
- (e) On or before December 1 of each even-numbered year, the

- 1 commission shall submit a report to the legislature and the
- 2 Legislative Budget Board describing the effectiveness of the
- 3 program under this section.
- 4 (f) The limitation on the amount of space allocated to
- 5 private tenants prescribed by Section 2165.205(b) does not apply to
- 6 the lease of a state-owned parking lot or garage under this section.
- 7 (g) Any lease of a state-owned parking lot or garage under
- 8 this section must contain a provision that allows state employees
- 9 who work hours other than regular working hours under Section
- 10 658.005 to retain their parking privileges in a state-owned parking
- 11 <u>lot or garage</u>.
- (h) Nonprofit, charitable, and other community
- 13 organizations may apply to use state parking lots and garages
- 14 located in the city of Austin in the area bordered by West Fourth
- 15 Street, Lavaca Street, West Third Street, and Nueces Street free of
- 16 charge or at a reduced rate. The executive director of the
- 17 commission shall develop a form to be used to make such
- 18 applications. The form shall require information related to:
- 19 <u>(1) the dates and times of the free use requested;</u>
- 20 (2) the nature of the applicant's activities
- 21 associated with the proposed use of state parking lots and garages;
- 22 and
- 23 (3) any other information determined by the executive
- 24 director of the commission to be necessary to evaluate an
- 25 application.
- 26 (i) To be considered timely, an application must be
- 27 <u>submitted at least one month before the proposed use</u>, unless this

1	provision is waived by the executive director of the commission.
2	(j) The executive director of the commission may approve or
3	reject an application made under Subsection (h).
4	ARTICLE 4. LEASE OF SPACE FOR STATE AGENCIES
5	SECTION 4.01. Section 2167.001, Government Code, is amended
6	to read as follows:
7	Sec. 2167.001. APPLICABILITY. (a) This chapter applies
8	to:
9	(1) office space;
10	(2) warehouse space;
11	(3) laboratory space;
12	(4) storage space exceeding 1,000 gross square feet;
13	[ <del>and</del> ]
14	(5) boat storage space;
15	(6) aircraft hangar space other than hangar space and
16	adjacent space leased by the State Aircraft Pooling Board at
17	Austin-Bergstrom International Airport and operated for the
18	purpose of providing air transportation services for the State of
19	Texas;
20	(7) vehicle parking space; and
21	(8) a combination of those kinds of space.
22	(b) This chapter does not apply to:
23	(1) [ <del>aircraft hangar space;</del>
24	[ <del>(2)</del> ] radio antenna space;
25	(2) ( <del>(3) boat storage space;</del>
26	[ <del>(4) vehicle parking space+</del>
27	[ <del>(5)</del> ] residential space for a Texas Department of

- 1 Mental Health and Mental Retardation program;
- 2 (3) [(6)] residential space for a Texas Youth
- 3 Commission program;
- 4 (4) [(7)] space to be used for less than one month for
- 5 meetings, conferences, conventions, seminars, displays,
- 6 examinations, auctions, or similar purposes;
- 7 (5) [(8)] district office space for members of the
- 8 legislature;
- 9 (6) (9) space used by the Texas Workforce
- 10 [Employment] Commission;
- 11 (7) [(10)] residential property acquired by the Texas
- 12 Department of Housing and Community Affairs or the Texas State
- 13 Affordable Housing Corporation that is offered for sale or rental
- 14 to individuals and families of low or very low income or families of
- 15 moderate income; or
- 16 (8) [(11)] except as provided by Section 2167.007,
- 17 classroom and instructional space for an institution of higher
- 18 education.
- SECTION 4.02. Section 2167.005, Government Code, is amended
- 20 by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 21 (d) The commission may revoke a delegation of authority made
- 22 under this section.
- SECTION 4.03. Section 2167.007(c), Government Code, is
- 24 amended to read as follows:
- 25 (c) The commission <u>may</u> [shall] establish a system of charges
- 26 and billings to assure the recovery of the cost of providing
- 27 services under Subsection (a) and may [shall] submit, after the

- 1 close of each month, a purchase voucher or journal voucher to an
- 2 agency for which services were provided.
- 3 SECTION 4.04. Section 2167.054(d), Government Code, is
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 5 (d) As provided in a request for proposals and under rules
- 6 adopted by the commission, the commission may discuss acceptable or
- 7 potentially acceptable proposals with offerors to assess an
- 8 offeror's ability to meet the solicitation requirements and to
- 9 obtain the most advantageous lease contract for the state. The
- 10 commission may [shall] invite a leasing state agency to participate
- 11 in discussions and negotiations conducted under this section.
- 12 After receiving a proposal but before making an award, the
- 13 commission may permit the offeror to revise the proposal to obtain
- 14 the best final proposal.
- SECTION 4.05. Sections 2167.055(d) and (f), Government
- 16 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 17 (d) A lease contract that does not contain an option to
- 18 renew may, on agreement of the parties, be renewed under terms to
- 19 which all parties to the contract agree [ence under the provisions
- 20 of the original contract for a term that does not exceed one year].
- 21 (f) The obligation of the lessor to provide lease space and
- of the commission to accept the space is binding on the execution of
- 23 the lease [award of the] contract.
- SECTION 4.06. Section 2167.101, Government Code, is amended
- 25 to read as follows:
- Sec. 2167.101. CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABLE MONEY. A state
- 27 agency occupying space leased under this chapter shall certify to

- 1 the commission, at least 60 days before the beginning of each fiscal
- 2 biennium during the lease term, that money is available to pay for
- 3 the lease until the end of the next fiscal biennium.
- 4 SECTION 4.07. The following laws are repealed:
- 5 (1) Section 2167.003(c), Government Code;
- 6 (2) Section 2167.004(b), Government Code; and
- 7 (3) Section 2167.106, Government Code.
- 8 SECTION 4.08. A lease contract entered into by the Texas
- 9 Building and Procurement Commission before September 1, 2003, under
- 10 Chapter 2167, Government Code, is governed during the remaining
- 11 term of the lease by Chapter 2167, Government Code, as it existed
- 12 immediately before September 1, 2003, and the prior law is
- 13 continued in effect for this purpose. Chapter 2167, Government
- 14 Code, as amended by this article, applies to the renewal of a lease
- 15 described by this section.
- ARTICLE 5. ALLOCATION OF OFFICE SPACE TO STATE AGENCIES
- SECTION 5.01. Section 2165.104(c), Government Code, is
- 18 amended to read as follows:
- 19 (c) To the extent possible without sacrificing critical
- 20 public or client services, the commission may not allocate usable
- 21 office space, as defined by the commission, to a state agency under
- 22 Article I, II, V, VI, VII, or VIII of the General Appropriations Act
- 23 or to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the Texas
- 24 Education Agency, the State Board for Educator Certification, the
- 25 Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board, or the Office of
- 26 Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System in an amount that
- exceeds an average of 135 [153] square feet per agency employee for

- 1 each agency site. To the extent that any of those agencies
- 2 allocates its own usable office space, as defined by the
- 3 commission, the agency shall allocate the space to achieve the
- 4 required ratio. This subsection does not apply to:
- 5 (1) an agency site at which there are so few employees
- 6 that it is not practical to apply this subsection to that site, as
- 7 determined by the commission [fewer than 16 employees are located];
- 8 and
- 9 (2) an agency site at which it is not practical to
- apply this subsection because of the site's type of space or use of
- 11 space, as determined by the commission [warehouse space;
- 12 [<del>(3) laboratory space;</del>
- 13 [(4) storage space exceeding 1,000 gross square feet;
- 14 [(5) -library space;
- 15 [<del>(6) space for hearing rooms used to conduct hearings</del>
- 16 required under the administrative precedure law, Chapter 2001, or
- 17 [<del>(7) another type of space specified by commission</del>
- 18 rule, if the commission determines that it is not practical to apply
- 19 this subsection to that space].
- 20 SECTION 5.02. This article applies only to a lease for
- 21 usable office space entered into or renewed on or after September 1,
- 22 2003. A lease entered into or renewed before September 1, 2003,
- 23 shall be reviewed by the Texas Building and Procurement Commission
- 24 as the lease comes up for renewal to determine whether it would be
- 25 cost-effective to bring the lease into compliance with Section
- 26 2165.104(c), Government Code, as amended by this article.
- 27 ARTICLE 6. WRITTEN COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE ON TEXAS

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1	BUILDING AND PROCUREMENT COMMISSION LEASES
2	SECTION 6.01. The following sections are repealed:
3	(1) Section 2165.154, Government Code; and
4	(2) Section 2165.204, Government Code.
5	ARTICLE 7. GENERAL STATE PROCUREMENT
6	SECTION 7.01. Section 2171.101(a), Government Code, is
7	amended to read as follows:
8	(a) The office of vehicle fleet management shall establish a
9	vehicle reporting system to assist each state agency in the
10	management of its vehicle fleet. A state agency shall be required
11	to submit the reports on a monthly basis [not more often than
12	semiannually].
13	SECTION 7.02. Sections 2171.102(a) and (b), Government
14	Code, are amended to read as follows:
15	(a) The office of vehicle fleet management may, for a fee,
16	[shall] provide routine periodic maintenance service to state
17	agencies located in Travis County. [The office shall charge a fee
18	for the service.
19	(b) The office <u>may</u> [ <del>chall</del> ] negotiate contracts for major
20	overhauls and other extensive mechanical work.
21	SECTION 7.03. Sections 2171.104(c) and (d), Government
22	Code, are amended to read as follows:
23	(c) The management plan must address:
24	(1) opportunities for consolidating and privatizing

the operation and management of vehicle fleets in areas where there

is a concentration of state agencies, including the Capitol Complex

and the Health and Human Services Complex in Austin;

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- 1 (2) the number and type of vehicles owned by each 2 agency and the purpose each vehicle serves;
- 3 (3) procedures to increase vehicle use and improve the 4 efficiency of the state vehicle fleet;
- 5 (4) procedures to reduce the cost of maintaining state 6 vehicles;
- 7 (5) procedures to handle surplus or salvage [the sale 8 of excess] state vehicles; and
- 9 (6) lower-cost alternatives to using state-owned 10 vehicles, including:
- 11 (A) using rental cars; and
- (B) reimbursing employees for using personal vehicles.
- 14 (d) The commission shall require a state agency to transfer 15 surplus or salvage vehicles identified by the management plan to the commission and shall sell or dispose of the [excess] vehicles in 16 17 accordance with the provisions of Chapter 2175 that provide for 18 disposition of surplus or salvage property by the commission 19 [identified by the management plan and deposit the proceeds from 20 the sale into the account that the agency used to purchase the 21 vehicles].
- SECTION 7.04. Chapter 2151, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2151.005 to read as follows:
- 24 <u>Sec. 2151.005. EXEMPTIONS RELATED TO LEGAL SERVICES. This</u>
  25 subtitle does not apply to:
- 26 (1) obtaining outside legal counsel services;
- 27 (2) obtaining expert witnesses; or

- 1 (3) procuring litigation-related goods and services
- 2 for which competitive procurement is not feasible under the
- 3 circumstances.
- 4 SECTION 7.05. Section 2155.078(k), Government Code, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 (k) The commission shall require a reasonable number of [24]
- 7 hours of continuing education [each year] to maintain a
- 8 certification level. The commission may allow attendance at
- 9 equivalent certification training recognized by the commission to
- 10 count toward the required number of [up to 16] hours [of the
- 11 continuing education requirement]. Maintenance of the
- 12 <u>certification level may be by yearly renewal or another reasonable</u>
- 13 renewal period comparable to nationally recognized certification
- 14 requirements.
- SECTION 7.06. Section 2155.141, Government Code, is amended
- 16 to read as follows:
- 17 Sec. 2155.141. [CERTAIN OTHER] PURCHASES FOR AUXILIARY
- 18 ENTERPRISE NOT WITHIN COMMISSION'S PURCHASING AUTHORITY. The
- 19 commission's authority does not extend to a purchase of goods and
- 20 services[+
- 21 [(1) for resale:
- 22 [<del>(2)</del>] for an auxiliary enterprise[<del>; or</del>
- 23 [<del>(3) for an organized activity relating to an</del>
- 24 instructional department of an institution of higher learning or a
- 25 similar activity of another state-agency].
- SECTION 7.07. Section 2155.144, Government Code, is amended
- 27 by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

- 1 (b-1) An agency to which this section applies is not
- 2 delegated the authority to procure common commodities or services:
- 3 (1) including goods and services acquired for direct
- 4 consumption or use by the agency in the day-to-day support of the
- 5 agency's administrative operations, such as office supplies and
- 6 equipment, building maintenance and cleaning services, or
- 7 temporary employment services; and
- 8 (2) not including consulting services, professional
- 9 services, health care services, information resources technology,
- 10 goods or services acquired for the benefit or on behalf of clients
- 11 of programs operated by the agency, procurements specifically
- 12 authorized or delegated to the agency by statute, or the
- 13 contracting out of agency purchasing functions or other
- 14 administrative or program functions.
- 15 SECTION 7.08. Subchapter C, Chapter 2155, Government Code,
- is amended by adding Section 2155.148 to read as follows:
- 17 <u>Sec. 2155.148. CERTAIN PURCHASES</u> FOR TEXAS STATEWIDE
- 18 EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL RETIREMENT FUND. (a) The fire
- 19 fighters' pension commissioner is delegated all purchasing
- 20 <u>functions relating to the purchase of goods or services from funds</u>
- 21 other than general revenue funds for a purpose the state board of
- 22 trustees of the Texas statewide emergency services personnel
- 23 retirement fund determines relates to the fiduciary duties of the
- 24 <u>retirement fund.</u>
- 25 (b) The fire fighters' pension commissioner shall acquire
- 26 goods or services by any procurement method approved by the state
- 27 board of trustees of the Texas statewide emergency services

- 1 personnel retirement fund that provides the best value to the
- 2 retirement fund. The fire fighters' pension commissioner shall
- 3 consider the best value standards provided by Section 2155.074.
- 4 (c) The commission shall procure goods or services for the
- 5 fire fighters' pension commissioner at the request of the pension
- 6 commissioner, and the pension commissioner may use the services of
- 7 the commission in procuring goods or services.
- 8 SECTION 7.09. Subchapter I, Chapter 2155, Government Code,
- 9 is amended by adding Section 2155.510 to read as follows:
- 10 Sec. 2155.510. REBATES. (a) The commission may collect a
- 11 rebate from a vendor under a contract listed on a schedule developed
- 12 <u>under this subchapter</u>.
- (b) If a purchase resulting in a rebate under this section
- is made in whole or in part with federal funds, the commission shall
- ensure that, to the extent the purchase was made with federal funds,
- 16 the appropriate portion of the rebate is reported to the purchasing
- 17 agency for reporting and reconciliation purposes with the
- 18 appropriate federal funding agency.
- 19 SECTION 7.10. The heading to Subchapter B, Chapter 2157,
- 20 Government Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 21 SUBCHAPTER B. CATALOG [CATALOGUE] PURCHASE METHOD
- SECTION 7.11. Section 2157.061, Government Code, is amended
- 23 to read as follows:
- Sec. 2157.061. USE OF <u>CATALOG</u> [<del>CATALOGUE</del>] PURCHASE METHOD
- 25 REQUIRED UNLESS BEST VALUE AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE. The commission or
- 26 a state agency shall purchase an automated information system
- 27 through the <a href="catalogue">catalogue</a>] procedure provided by this

- 1 subchapter unless the commission or state agency determines that
- 2 the best value may be obtained from another purchase method
- 3 authorized by this subtitle.
- 4 SECTION 7.12. Section 2157.0611, Government Code, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 2157.0611. REQUIREMENT TO EVALUATE THREE OFFERS
- 7 [PROPOSALS] WHEN POSSIBLE. A catalog [catalogue] purchase or lease
- 8 that exceeds \$2,000 or a greater amount prescribed by commission
- 9 rule shall, when possible, be based on an evaluation of at least
- 10 three <u>catalog offers</u> [<del>catalogue proposals</del>] made to the commission
- or other state agency by catalog (qualified) information systems
- 12 vendors. If at least three <u>catalog offers</u> [<del>catalogue proposals</del>]
- 13 are not evaluated by the commission or other state agency before a
- 14 purchase or lease that exceeds the threshold amount is made, the
- 15 commission or other agency shall document the reasons for that fact
- 16 before making the purchase or lease under Section 2157.063.
- 17 SECTION 7.13. Section 2157.062, Government Code, is amended
- 18 to read as follows:
- 19 Sec. 2157.062. BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR CATALOG [APPLICATION
- 20 PROCESS FOR QUALIFICATION AS VENDOR. [(a) To sell or lease an
- 21 automated information system under this subshapter to a state
- 22 agency, a vendor must apply to the commission for designation as a
- 23 qualified information systems vendor. The commission shall
- 24 prescribe the application process. The commission may allow or
- 25 require a vendor to apply on-line.
- 26 [<del>(b)</del>] At a minimum, <u>a catalog information systems vendor</u>
- 27 <u>must</u> [the commission shall require an applicant to submit]:

- 1 (1) maintain an Internet catalog [a catalogue]
- 2 containing each product and service eligible for purchase by a
- 3 state agency, including for each product or service:
- 4 (A) a description;
- 5 (B) the list price; and
- 6 (C) the price to a state agency;
- 7 (2) <u>maintain</u> a maintenance, repair, and support plan
- 8 for each eligible product or service;
- 9 (3) provide on request proof of the applicant's
- 10 financial resources and ability to perform; and
- 11 (4.) <u>provide</u> a guarantee that the vendor will make
- 12 available equivalent replacement parts for a product sold to the
- 13 state until at least the third anniversary of the date the product
- 14 is discontinued.
- SECTION 7.14. Section 2157.063(a), Government Code, is
- 16 amended to read as follows:
- 17 (a) If a purchase or lease is the best value available and is
- 18 in the state's best interest, a state agency may under this
- 19 subchapter purchase or lease an automated information system
- 20 directly from a catalog [qualified] information systems vendor and
- 21 may negotiate price and additional terms and conditions to be
- 22 included in a contract relating to the purchase or lease.
- SECTION 7.15. Section 2157.066, Government Code, is amended
- 24 by amending Subsections (a), (b), and (f) and adding Subsection (g)
- 25 to read as follows:
- 26 (a) A catalog [vendor designated by the commission as a
- 27 qualified] information systems vendor shall publish and maintain a

- 1 <u>catalog</u> [<del>catalogue</del>] described by Section <u>2157.062(1)</u>
- 2 [2157.062(b)(1)] in the manner required by the commission.
- 3 (b) The vendor shall revise the <u>catalog</u> [<del>catalogue</del>] as
- 4 necessary in the manner required by the commission.
- 5 (f) The commission may audit a catalog [qualified]
- 6 information systems vendor's catalog [approved catalogue] for
- 7 compliance with rules adopted under Subsection (g) [(c)].
- 8 (g) The commission shall adopt rules that specify the
- 9 requirements for a catalog information systems vendor's
- 10 maintenance of Internet catalogs, including:
- 11 (1) availability;
- 12 (2) format; and
- 13 (3) other relevant requirements.
- SECTION 7.16. Section 2157.067(a), Government Code, is
- 15 amended to read as follows:
- 16 (a) The commission shall make the <u>catalog</u> [<del>catalogue</del>]
- 17 purchasing procedure available to a local government that qualifies
- 18 for cooperative purchasing under Sections 271.082 and 271.083,
- 19 Local Government Code.
- SECTION 7.17. Section 2157.068(b), Government Code, is
- 21 amended to read as follows:
- 22 (b) The department shall negotiate with catalog [qualified]
- 23 information systems vendors to attempt to obtain a favorable price
- 24 for all of state government on licenses for commodity software
- 25 items, based on the aggregate volume of purchases expected to be
- 26 made by the state. The terms and conditions of a license agreement
- 27 between a vendor and the department under this section may not be

- 1 less favorable to the state than the terms of similar license
- 2 agreements between the vendor and retail distributors.
- 3 SECTION 7.18. Chapter 2254, Government Code, is amended by
- 4 adding Subchapter D to read as follows:

## 5 <u>SUBCHAPTER D. OUTSIDE LEGAL SERVICES</u>

- 6 Sec. 2254.151. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "state
- 7 agency" means a department, commission, board, authority, office,
- 8 or other agency in the executive branch of state government created
- 9 by the state constitution or a state statute.
- Sec. 2254.152. APPLICABILITY. This subchapter does not
- apply to a contingent fee contract for legal services.
- 12 <u>Sec. 2254.153. CONTRACTS FOR LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORIZED.</u>
- 13 Subject to Section 402.0212, a state agency may contract for
- 14 <u>outside legal services</u>.
- 15 Sec. 2254.154. ATTORNEY GENERAL; COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT.
- 16 The attorney general may require state agencies to obtain outside
- 17 legal services through a competitive procurement process, under
- conditions prescribed by the attorney general.
- 19 SECTION 7.19. Section 2262.001, Government Code, is amended
- 20 by adding Subdivision (1-a) to read as follows:
- 21 (1-a) "Commission" means the Texas Building and
- 22 <u>Procurement Commission.</u>
- SECTION 7.20. Sections 2262.051(a) and (b), Government
- 24 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 25 (a) In consultation with the attorney general [Texas
- 26 Building and Procurement Commission], the Department of
- 27 Information Resources, the comptroller, and the state auditor, the

- 1 <u>commission</u> [attorney general] shall develop or [and] periodically
- 2 update a contract management guide for use by state agencies.
- 3 (b) The <u>commission</u> [attorney general] may adopt rules
- 4 necessary to develop or update the guide.
- 5 SECTION 7.21. Section 2262.052(b), Government Code, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 (b) The state auditor shall:
- 8 (1) periodically monitor compliance with this
- 9 section;
- 10 (2) report any noncompliance to:
- 11 (A) the governor;
- 12 (B) the lieutenant governor;
- 13 (C) the speaker of the house of representatives;
- 14 and
- 15 (D) the team; and
- 16 (3) assist, in coordination with the commission
- 17 [attorney general] and the comptroller, a noncomplying state agency
- 18 to comply with this section.
- 19 SECTION 7.22. Section 2262.053(a), Government Code, is
- 20 amended to read as follows:
- 21 (a) In coordination with the [Texas Building and
- 22 Procurement Commission, the comptroller, [and-the] Department of
- 23 Information Resources, and [the] state auditor, the commission
- 24 shall develop or administer a training program for contract
- 25 managers.
- SECTION 7.23. Section 2262.054, Government Code, is amended
- 27 to read as follows:

- 1 Sec. 2262.054. PUBLIC COMMENT. The commission [attorney
- 2 general by rule may establish procedures by which each state
- 3 agency is required to invite public comment by publishing the
- 4 proposed technical specifications for major contracts on the
- 5 Internet through the information service known as the Texas
- 6 Marketplace or through a suitable successor information service.
- 7 The guide must define "technical specifications."
- 8 SECTION 7.24. Section 2262.101, Government Code, is amended
- 9 to read as follows:
- 10 Sec. 2262.101. CREATION; DUTIES. The Contract Advisory
- 11 Team is created to assist state agencies in improving contract
- 12 management practices by:
- 13 (1) reviewing the solicitation of major contracts by
- 14 state agencies;
- 15 (2) reviewing any findings or recommendations made by
- the state auditor, including those made under Section 2262.052(b),
- 17 regarding a state agency's compliance with the contract management
- 18 guide; and
- 19 (3) providing recommendations to the commission
- 20 regarding:
- 21 (A) [the attorney general regarding] the
- development of the contract management guide; and
- 23 (B) [the state auditor regarding] the training
- 24 under Section 2262.053.
- 25 SECTION 7.25. Sections 2155.142, 2157.001(2), 2157.064,
- 26 2157.065, 2157.066(c) and (d), and 2261.001(e), Government Code,
- 27 are repealed.

- 1 SECTION 7.26. The changes in law made by this article to
- 2 Section 2155.141, Government Code, apply only to a purchase made on
- 3 or after the effective date of this article. A purchase made before
- 4 the effective date of this article is covered by the law in effect
- 5 when the purchase was made, and the former law is continued in
- 6 effect for that purpose.
- 7 SECTION 7.27. (a) In this section, "commission" means the
- 8 Texas Building and Procurement Commission.
- 9 (b) Not later than February 1, 2004:
- 10 (1) the attorney general and state auditor shall
- 11 complete the transfer of powers and duties to the commission under
- 12 Chapter 2262, Government Code, as amended by this article;
- 13 (2) a rule or form adopted by the attorney general or
- 14 state auditor under Chapter 2262, Government Code, is a rule or form
- 15 of the commission and remains in effect until changed by the
- 16 commission;
- 17 (3) the commission assumes, without a change in
- 18 status, the position of the attorney general or state auditor with
- 19 respect to any matter regarding which the duties of the attorney
- 20 general or state auditor under Chapter 2262, Government Code, have
- 21 been transferred to the commission;
- 22 (4) all property, including records, and rights and
- 23 obligations of the attorney general and state auditor related to
- 24 those entities' express duties under Chapter 2262, Government Code,
- 25 are transferred to the commission; and
- 26 (5) all funds appropriated by the legislature to the
- 27 attorney general and state auditor related to those entities'

- 1 express powers and duties under Chapter 2262, Government Code, are
- 2 transferred to the commission.
- 3 SECTION 7.28. Section 2175.061, Government Code, is amended
- 4 by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 5 (c) The commission may by rule determine the best method of
- 6 disposal for surplus and salvage property of the state under this
- 7 chapter.
- 8 SECTION 7.29. Section 2175.134, Government Code, is amended
- 9 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as
- 10 follows:
- 11 (a) Proceeds from the sale of surplus or salvage property,
- 12 less the cost of advertising the sale, the cost of selling the
- 13 surplus or salvage property, including the cost of auctioneer
- 14 services, and the amount of the fee collected under Section
- 15 2175.131, shall be deposited to the credit of the general revenue
- 16 fund of the state treasury [appropriate appropriation item of the
- 17 state agency for which the sale was made].
- 18 (c) Proceeds from the sale of surplus and salvage property
- 19 of the State Aircraft Pooling Board shall be deposited to the credit
- of the board.
- 21 SECTION 7.30. Section 2175.182(a), Government Code, is
- 22 amended to read as follows:
- 23 (a) The commission is responsible for the disposal of
- 24 surplus or salvage property under this subchapter. The commission
- 25 may take physical possession of the property. [A state agency
- 26 maintains ownership of property-throughout the disposal process.
- SECTION 7.31. Section 2175.185(b), Government Code, is

- 1 amended to read as follows:
- 2 (b) On receiving notice under this section, the comptroller
- 3 shall, if necessary, [+
- 4 [(1) debit and credit the proper appropriations; and
- 5 [<del>(2)</del>] adjust state property accounting records.
- 6 SECTION 7.32. Section 2175.191, Government Code, is amended
- 7 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as
- 8 follows:
- 9 (a) Proceeds from the sale of surplus or salvage property,
- 10 less the cost of advertising the sale, the cost of selling the
- 11 surplus or salvage property, including the cost of auctioneer
- 12 services, and the amount of the fee collected under Section
- 13 2175.188, shall be deposited to the credit of the general revenue
- 14 fund of the state treasury [appropriate appropriation item of the
- 15 state agency for which the sale was-made].
- 16 (c) Proceeds from the sale of surplus and salvage property
- of the State Aircraft Pooling Board shall be deposited to the credit
- 18 of the board.
- 19 SECTION 7.33. Section 2175.361, Government Code, is amended
- 20 to read as follows:
- 21 Sec. 2175.361. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:
- 22 (1) "Federal act" means the Federal Property and
- 23 Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. Section 541 et seq.
- 24 [484]), as amended, or any other federal law providing for the
- 25 <u>disposal of federal surplus property</u>.
- 26 (2) "Federal property" means federal surplus property
- 27 acquired:

- 1 (A) by the commission or under the commission's
- 2 jurisdiction under this subchapter; and
- 3 (B) under 40 U.S.C. Section 483c, 549, or 550, or
- 4 under any other federal law providing for the disposal [Section
- 5 484(j) or (k) of [the] federal surplus property [act]. [The term
- 6 includes federal real property acquired under Section 484(k) of the
- 7 federal act.
- 8 SECTION 7.34. Section 2175.362(a), Government Code, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 (a) The commission is the designated state agency under 40
- 11 <u>U.S.C.</u> Section <u>549</u> and any other federal law providing for the
- 12 <u>disposal</u> [484(j)] of [the] federal <u>surplus property</u> [ast].
- SECTION 7.35. Section 2175.364, Government Code, is amended
- 14 to read as follows:
- Sec. 2175.364. COMMISSION ASSISTANCE IN PROCUREMENT AND USE
- 16 OF PROPERTY. The commission may:
- 17 (1) disseminate information and assist a potential
- 18 applicant regarding the availability of federal real property;
- 19 (2) assist in the processing of an application for
- 20 acquisition of federal real property and related personal property
- 21 under 40 U.S.C. Section 550 or any other federal law providing for
- 22 <u>the disposal</u> [484(k)] of [the] federal surplus property [act];
- 23 (3) act as an information clearinghouse for an entity
- 24 that may be eligible to acquire federal property and, as necessary,
- 25 assist the entity to obtain federal property;
- 26 (4) assist in assuring use of the property; and
- 27 (5) engage in an activity relating to the use of

- 1 federal property by another state agency, institution, or
- 2 organization engaging in or receiving assistance under a federal
- 3 program.
- 4 SECTION 7.36. Section 2175.367, Government Code, is amended
- 5 to read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 2175.367. CONTRACTS. The commission may enter into an
- 7 agreement, including:
- 8 (1) a cooperative agreement with a federal agency
- 9 under 40 U.S.C. Section 549 or any other federal law providing for
- 10 the disposal [484(n)] of [the] federal surplus property [act];
- 11 (2) an agreement with a state agency for surplus
- 12 property of a state agency that will promote the administration of
- 13 the commission's functions under this subchapter; or
- 14 (3) an agreement with a group or association of state
- 15 agencies for surplus property that will promote the administration
- of the commission's functions under this subchapter.
- 17 SECTION 7.37. Sections 2175.134(b) and 2175.191(b),
- 18 Government Code, are repealed.
- 19 SECTION 7.38. The changes in law made by this article to
- 20 Chapter 2175, Government Code, apply only to surplus and salvage
- 21 property of the state sold on or after September 1, 2003.
- SECTION 7.39. Section 2166.001(8), Government Code, is
- 23 amended to read as follows:
- 24 (8) "Small construction project" means a project that:
- 25 (A) has an estimated value of less than \$100,000
- [\$25,000]; and
- 27 (B) requires advance preparation of working

- 1 plans or drawings.
- 2 SECTION 7.40. Section 2166.2531(d), Government Code, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- 4 (d) The commission shall prepare a request for
- 5 qualifications that includes general information on the project
- 6 site, project scope, [budget,] special systems, selection
- 7 criteria, and other information that may assist potential
- 8 design-build firms in submitting proposals for the project. The
- 9 commission shall also prepare a design criteria package that
- 10 includes more detailed information on the project. If the
- 11 preparation of the design criteria package requires engineering or
- 12 architectural services that constitute the practice of engineering
- 13 within the meaning of The Texas Engineering Practice Act (Article
- 14 3271a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) or the practice of
- 15 architecture within the meaning of Chapter 478, Acts of the 45th
- 16 Legislature, Regular Session, 1937 (Article 249a, Vernon's Texas
- 17 Civil Statutes), those services shall be provided in accordance
- 18 with the applicable law.
- SECTION 7.41. Sections 2166.2532(e) and (g), Government
- 20 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 21 (e) The commission shall select the construction
- 22 manager-at-risk in either a one-step or two-step process. The
- 23 commission shall prepare a request for proposals, in the case of a
- one-step process, or a request for qualifications, in the case of a
- 25 two-step process, that includes general information on the project
- 26 site, project scope, schedule, selection criteria, [estimated
- 27 budget, and the time and place for receipt of proposals or

- 1 qualifications, as applicable; a statement as to whether the selection process is a one-step or two-step process; and other 2 3 information that may assist the commission in its selection of a 4 construction manager-at-risk. The commission shall state the 5 selection criteria in the request for proposals or qualifications, as applicable. The selection criteria may include the offeror's 6 experience, past performance, safety record, proposed personnel 7 8 and methodology, and other appropriate factors that demonstrate the capability of the construction manager-at-risk. If a one-step 9 process is used, the commission may request, as part of the 10 11 offeror's proposal, proposed fees and prices for fulfilling the 12 general conditions. If a two-step process is used, the commission 13 may not request fees or prices in step one. In step two, the 14 commission may request that five or fewer offerors, selected solely 15 on the basis of qualifications, provide additional information, 16 including the construction manager-at-risk's proposed fee and its 17 price for fulfilling the general conditions.
- 18 (g) At each step, the commission shall receive, publicly
  19 open, and read aloud the names of the offerors. [At the appropriate
  20 step, the commission shall also read aloud the fees and prices, if
  21 any, stated in each proposal as the proposal is opened.] Within 45
  22 days after the date of opening the proposals, the commission or its
  23 representative shall evaluate and rank each proposal submitted in
  24 relation to the criteria set forth in the request for proposals.
- 25 SECTION 7.42. Sections 2166.2533(d) and (f), Government 26 Code, are amended to read as follows:

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(d) The commission shall prepare a request for competitive

- 1 sealed proposals that includes construction documents, selection
- 2 criteria, [estimated-budget,] project scope, schedule, and other
- 3 information that contractors may require to respond to the request.
- 4 The commission shall state in the request for proposals all of the
- 5 selection criteria that will be used in selecting the successful
- 6 offeror.
- 7 (f) The commission shall receive, publicly open, and read
- 8 aloud the names of the offerors [and, if any are required to be
- 9 stated, all prices stated in each proposal]. Within 45 days after
- 10 the date of opening the proposals, the commission shall evaluate
- 11 and rank each proposal submitted in relation to the published
- 12 selection criteria.
- SECTION 7.43. Subchapter F, Chapter 2166, Government Code,
- 14 is amended by adding Section 2166.260 to read as follows:
- Sec. 2166.260. APPROVAL OF CERTAIN EXPENDITURES REQUIRED.
- 16 A state agency may not spend more than the amount authorized for the
- 17 cost of a project unless the governor and the Legislative Budget
- 18 Board approve the expenditure. Once the cost of a project reaches
- 19 the amount authorized for the project, each change to approved
- 20 project plans must be approved by the governor and the Legislative
- 21 Budget Board.
- SECTION 7.44. Section 2166.302, Government Code, is amended
- 23 to read as follows:
- Sec. 2166.302. ADOPTION OF CONDITIONS. (a) Except as
- 25 provided by Subsection (b), the [The] commission shall adopt
- 26 uniform general conditions to be incorporated into all building
- 27 construction contracts made by the state, including a contract for

- 1 a project excluded from this chapter by Section 2166.003, but not
- 2 including a contract for a project excluded from this chapter by
- 3 Section 2166.004.
- 4 (b) The commission is not required to adopt uniform general
- 5 conditions for small construction projects, as defined by Section
- 6 2166.001.
- 7 SECTION 7.45. Section 2166.305(b), Government Code, is
- 8 amended to read as follows:
- 9 (b) A committee appointed by the commission shall perform
- 10 the review. The committee consists of:
- 11 (1) the director of facilities construction and space
- 12 management appointed under Section 2152.104, who serves [ex
- 13 officio as the presiding officer of the committee [and who votes
- 14 only in case of a tie];
- 15 (2) seven individuals appointed by the commission, one
- 16 each from the lists of nominees submitted respectively by the:
- 17 (A) president of the Texas Society of Architects;
- 18 (B) president of the Texas Society of
- 19 Professional Engineers;
- 20 (C) presiding officer of the Executive Council of
- 21 the Texas Associated General Contractors Chapters;
- (D) executive secretary of the Mechanical
- 23 Contractors Associations of Texas, Incorporated;
- 24 (E) executive secretary of the Texas Building and
- 25 Construction Trades Council;
- 26 (F) president of the Associated Builders and
- 27 Contractors of Texas; and

- 1 (G) executive director of the National
- 2 Association of Minority Contractors, with the list composed of
- 3 persons who reside in this state;
- 4 (3) one individual appointed by the commission
- 5 representing an institution of higher education, as defined by
- 6 Section 61.003, Education Code;
- 7 (4) one individual appointed by the commission
- 8 representing a state agency that has a substantial ongoing
- 9 construction program; [and]
- 10 (5) one individual appointed by the commission
- 11 representing the attorney general's office; and
- (6) one individual appointed by the commission
- 13 representing the interests of historically underutilized
- 14 businesses.
- 15 SECTION 7.46. Section 2166.201, Government Code, is
- 16 repealed.
- 17 SECTION 7.47. The changes in law made by this article to
- 18 Sections 2166.2531, 2166.2532, and 2166.2533, Government Code,
- 19 apply only in relation to a Texas Building and Procurement
- 20 Commission request for qualifications or proposals made on or after
- 21 September 1, 2003.
- 22 SECTION 7.48. CARLOS F. TRUAN NATURAL RESOURCES CENTER.
- 23 (a) The natural resources center located at Texas A&M University at
- 24 Corpus Christi that was dedicated on August 6, 1996, shall be known
- as the Carlos F. Truan Natural Resources Center.
- 26 (b) The Texas Building and Procurement Commission shall
- 27 take appropriate action to ensure that the center is identified as

- provided by this section.
- 2 ARTICLE 8. TRAVEL SERVICES CONTRACTS
- 3 SECTION 8.01. Sections 2171.052(b) and (c), Government
- 4 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 5 (b) The central travel office may [shall] negotiate
- 6 contracts with private travel agents, with travel and
- 7 transportation providers, and with credit card companies that
- 8 provide travel services and other benefits to the state. The
- 9 central travel office may [shall] negotiate with commercial lodging
- 10 establishments to obtain the most cost-effective rates possible for
- state employees traveling on state business.
- 12 (c) The commission may [shall] make contracts with travel
- 13 agents that meet certain reasonable requirements prescribed by the
- 14 central travel office, [allowing contracts to provide travel
- 15 services by as many private travel agents as possible] with
- 16 preference given to resident entities of this state.
- SECTION 8.02. Section 2171.052(e), Government Code, is
- 18 repealed.
- 19 ARTICLE 9. SCHOOL BUS SAFETY STANDARDS
- SECTION 9.01. Section 34.002(a), Education Code, is amended
- 21 to read as follows:
- 22 (a) The Department of Public Safety, with the advice of the
- 23 [General Services Commission and the] Texas Education Agency, shall
- 24 establish safety standards for school buses used to transport
- 25 students in accordance with Section 34.003 [34.002, Education
- 26 <del>Code</del>].
- 27 SECTION 9.02. Sections 547.7015(a) and (b), Transportation

- 1 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 2 (a) The <u>department</u> [General Services Commission, with the
- 3 advice of the department, shall adopt and enforce rules governing
- 4 the design, color, lighting and other equipment, construction, and
- 5 operation of a school bus for the transportation of schoolchildren
- 6 that is:
- 7 (1) owned and operated by a school district in this
- 8 state; or
- 9 (2) privately owned and operated under a contract with
- 10 a school district in this state.
- 11 (b) In adopting rules under this section, the <u>department</u>
- 12 [General Services Commission] shall emphasize:
- 13 (1) safety features; and
- 14 (2) long-range, maintenance-free factors.
- 15 SECTION 9.03. Rules that were adopted under Section
- 16 547.7015, Transportation Code, before the effective date of this
- 17 article and that are in effect on the effective date of this article
- 18 are continued in effect as rules of the Department of Public Safety
- 19 until the rules are amended, repealed, or superseded by an action of
- 20 the department.
- 21 ARTICLE 10. CENTRAL SUPPLY STORE; REPAIR FACILITY
- 22 SECTION 10.01. Section 2172.001(a), Government Code, is
- 23 amended to read as follows:
- 24  $\left[\frac{a}{a}\right]$  The commission may  $\left[\frac{a}{a}\right]$  operate a central supply
- 25 store at which only state agencies, the legislature, and
- 26 legislative agencies may obtain small supply items. If the
- 27 commission operates a central supply store, the commission shall

- 1 devise an appropriate method of billing a using entity for the
- 2 supplies.
- 3 SECTION 10.02. Section 2172.002(a), Government Code, is
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 5 (a) The commission may [shall] maintain a facility for
- 6 repairing office machines and may [shall] offer repair services to
- 7 the following entities located in Austin:
- 8 (1) state agencies;
- 9 (2) the legislature; and
- 10 (3) legislative agencies.
- SECTION 10.03. Section 2172.001(b), Government Code, is
- 12 repealed.
- 13 ARTICLE 11. EFFECTIVE DATE
- 14 SECTION 11.01. This Act takes effect immediately if it
- 15 receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each
- 16 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution.
- 17 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate
- 18 effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3042 was passed by the House on May 2, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 126, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3042 on May 30, 2003, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 3042 on June 1, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3042 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 28, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 3042 on June 1, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:

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