

BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.S.B. 395
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DIGEST

Currently, local governments are not specifically authorized to contract with certain entities. Some entities may not be able to contract for certain services through the competitive bidding process. This bill authorizes a local government to contract with certain entities.

PURPOSE

As proposed, C.S.S.B. 395 authorizes a local government to contract with certain entities.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 791.025, Government Code, as follows:

Sec. 791.025. **CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES.** Authorizes a local government, including a council of governments, to agree with certain entities, including the General Services Commission, to purchase goods and services. Provides that certain entities may agree with another local government to purchase goods and any services reasonably required for the installation, operation, or maintenance of the goods. Provides that this subsection does not apply to services provided by firefighters, police officers, or emergency medical personnel. Defines "council of governments." Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 1.

Deletes proposed SECTION 1, and establishes new provisions regarding contracts for purchases in Section 791.025, Government Code. Defines "council of governments."