

**BILL ANALYSIS**

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**DIGEST**

Currently, the law does not allow a non-governmental entity that works in conjunction with a state agency to contract with that agency for the purpose of leasing office space. Several state agencies that specifically work with children, along with children's advocacy centers, are attempting to procure space in the same building for the purpose of coordinating their services to children. This bill authorizes space to be leased, through a negotiated contract, to a children's advocacy center.

**PURPOSE**

As proposed, S.B. 478 authorizes space to be leased, through a negotiated contract, to a children's advocacy center.

**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 2167.051, Government Code, to authorize space to be leased through a negotiated contract from a children's advocacy center established under Chapter 264E, Family Code, among other governmental entities.

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