

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST**

Currently, only nonprofit organizations that provide human services may acquire salvage and surplus property through direct transfer. However, many groups associated with faith-based organizations that wish to offer human services do not qualify as nonprofit organizations. H.B. 2840 would redefine “assistance organization” for purposes of state surplus and salvage property.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, H.B. 2840 redefines “assistance organization” for purposes of state surplus and salvage property.

### **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 2175.001(1), Government Code, to include a group, including a faith-based group, that enters into a financial or nonfinancial agreement with a health or human services agency to provide services to that agency’s clients, in the definition of “assistance organization.” Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.