

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Tarrant County's health and human services clearinghouse provider, Resource Connection, must employ the competitive bid process to lease space to for-profit agencies. This leasing method, in effect, rules out the ability to use certain providers whose services are needed more by the county. S.B. 141 would relax the absolute cost-effectiveness contracting criteria so that the Resource Connection may lease space based on services preferred by the clearinghouse.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 141 authorizes the leasing of real property owned or controlled by the commissioners court of certain counties.

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 263.007(e), Local Government Code, to authorize the commissioners court of certain counties to lease a property owned or controlled by the county to a for-profit entity for the purpose of conducting health and human service activities, and without using the bid processes described in Subsection (a) and otherwise prescribed by law. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.