

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, limited exemptions from the competitive bidding process exist for counties. Under the law, a county court must submit to the competitive bidding process for services for and a concession on a county owned golf course unless the commissioners court by order grants an exemption that would designate the contract for management and maintenance of the golf course as a professional service. If counties are forced to comply with the competitive bidding process, they could be required to accept the bid of a contractor who is under-qualified and possibly unable to do the job. H.B. 2002 grants an exemption from the competitive bidding process for county-owned golf courses.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends the heading to Section 262.024, Local Government Code, to read as follows:

Sec. 262.024. DISCRETIONARY EXEMPTIONS.

SECTION 2. Amends Chapter 262C, Local Government Code, by adding a new Section 262.0241 and redesignating the existing Section 262.0241 as Section 262.0245, as follows:

Sec. 262.0241. MANDATORY EXEMPTIONS: CERTAIN RECREATIONAL SERVICES. Provides that this section applies only to certain counties. Provides that the competitive bidding and competitive proposal procedures prescribed by this subchapter do not apply to the purchase of certain services.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.