

CHAPTER 416

S.B. No. 108

An Act relating to the disposition of the proceeds, and the interest on the proceeds, from the sale of a county hospital; adding Article 4494m-1 to Title 71, Revised Statutes, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Title 71, Revised Statutes, as amended, is amended by adding Article 4494m-1 to read as follows:

"Article 4494m-1. DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF HOSPITAL

“Section 1. If the commissioners court of a county sells the county hospital as authorized by law, the court may deposit all or any part of the proceeds from the sale in a special fund to be known as the county health care fund. The fund may be used only to finance items relating to the provision of health care to the residents of the county, including those residents who are indigent. If all or any part of the proceeds are not deposited in the special fund, those proceeds shall be deposited in the general fund of the county.”

“Section 2. All or any part of the interest accruing on the money in the special fund may be deposited in the special fund. If all or any part of the interest is not deposited in the special fund, that interest shall be deposited in the general fund of the county.”

SECTION 2. Article 4494m-1, Revised Statutes, as added by this Act, applies only to the proceeds, and the interest on the proceeds, resulting from:

(1) the sale of a county hospital before the effective date of this Act if the proceeds and interest have not been deposited in the general fund of the county and are available for disposition by the commissioners court of the county; and

(2) the sale of a county hospital on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed the Senate on February 14, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 0;
passed the House on May 25, 1985, by a non-record vote.

Approved: June 11, 1985

Effective: August 26, 1985