CHAPTER 823

S.B. No. 701

AN ACT

relating to interlocal cooperation contracts for health care and hospital services.

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

SECTION 1. Subdivision (3), Section 791.003, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (3) "Governmental functions and services" means all or part of a function or service in any of the following areas:
 - (A) police protection and detention services;
 - (B) fire protection;
 - (C) streets, roads, and drainage;
 - (D) public health and welfare;
 - (E) parks and recreation;
 - (F) library and museum services;
 - (G) records center services;
 - (H) waste disposal;
 - (I) planning;
 - (J) engineering;
 - (K) administrative functions;
 - (L) public funds investment;

- (M) comprehensive health care and hospital services; or
- (N) [(M)] other governmental functions in which the contracting parties are mutually interested.

SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 791, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 791.030 to read as follows:

Sec. 791.030. HEALTH CARE AND HOSPITAL SERVICES. A local government may contract with another local government authorized to provide health care and hospital services to provide those services for the local government's officers and employees and their dependents.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 1993.

SECTION 4. 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 April 6, 1993, by a viva-voce vote; the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 21, 1993, by a viva-voce vote; passed the House, with amendment, on May 19, 1993, by a non-record vote.

Approved June 19, 1993.

Effective Sept. 1, 1993.