

CHAPTER 138

H.B. No. 725

AN ACT

relating to the authority of a county to lease, as lessor, county real property through a sealed-bid procedure.

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

SECTION 1. Article 1577, Revised Statutes, is amended by adding Section 3 to read as follows:

Sec. 3. (a) The Commissioners Court may adopt a procedure by which the county, as lessor, may lease through a sealed-bid procedure any real estate, including space in a building, owned by the county.

(b) The procedure must include a requirement that the county publish, before a lease is made, a notice of its intent to lease the real estate. The notice must:

(1) be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county the Commissioners Court represents and, if the real estate is located in another county, in a newspaper of general circulation in that other county;

(2) be published on two dates, with the date of the second publication occurring before the 14th day before the date the award of the lease is made;

(3) include a description of the real estate, including its location; and

(4) include a description of the procedure by which sealed bids for the lease may be submitted.

(c) Under the procedure, the Commissioners Court may reject any and all bids submitted.

SECTION 2. 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, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

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