

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 2977
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Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

There have been calls to provide the City of Austin the flexibility to use certain amounts credited in the city's favor from certain agreements with the Texas Facilities Commission in a transfer, sale, or exchange of real property or an interest in real property with an applicable state agency. C.S.H.B. 2977 seeks to answer those calls.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 2977 amends the Government Code to authorize the City of Austin, if an applicable agreement with the Texas Facilities Commission provides for a transfer, sale, or exchange of real property to be credited against future property or interests to be transferred, sold, or exchanged between the parties, to use any amount credited in the city's favor in a transfer, sale, or exchange of real property or an interest in real property with any state agency other than any public institution of higher education.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 2977 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following summarizes the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

The substitute excludes a public institution of higher education from the state agencies with which the City of Austin may use any amount credited in the city's favor in a transfer, sale, or exchange of real property or an interest in real property.