BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, local communities across the state are working to raise donations, including corporate donations, for programs such as child care. If these donations are funneled through the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), they can be used to match federal funds. This bill deletes the provision stating that TWC can only accept donations from certain tax-exempt organizations.

PURPOSE

As proposed, C.S.S.B. 1519 authorizes the Texas Workforce Commission to accept certain donations.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 301.021, Labor Code, to delete text authorizing the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) to accept donations exclusively from organizations listed in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. Section 501(c)(3)). Prohibits TWC from accepting a donation from a person who is a party to an administrative proceeding pending before TWC until a certain date. Prohibits TWC from accepting a donation from a for-profit entity that has a contract with TWC or submitted a bid in response to a pending request for proposal issued by TWC for services or products having a value of not less than \$50,000. Provides that this subsection does not apply to a contract or bid that relates only to providing child-care services. Prohibits a for-profit entity from submitting a bid in response to a request for proposal issued by TWC before a certain date, with exceptions.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1997.

Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 1.

Amends Section 301.021, Labor Code, to prohibit TWC from accepting a donation from a for-profit entity that has a contract with TWC or has submitted a bid in response to a pending request for a proposal issued by TWC for services or products having a value not less than \$50,000, rather than services or products valued at \$50,000 or greater. Provides that this subsection does not apply to a contract or bid that relates only to providing child-care services. Prohibits a for-profit entity from entering into a contract with TWC or submitting a certain bid before a certain date, with exceptions. Makes nonsubstantive changes.