

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, a municipality is not allowed to consider contracting with minority and women-owned businesses in determining the “best value” for a municipality. As proposed, S.B. 689 allows the consideration of contracts with minority and women-owned businesses when awarding best value procurements.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 252.043(b), Local Government Code, to authorize a municipality to consider, in addition to other items relating to the awarding of contracts by a municipality and the best value for the municipality, the impact on the ability of the municipality to comply with laws, rules, and programs relating to contracting with historically underutilized businesses, minority and women-owned businesses, and nonprofit organizations employing persons with disabilities.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.