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MAJOR INFORMATION SYSTEMS CONTRACTS

State agencies are required to provide notice to the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) of a contract for a major information system¹ pursuant to the Information Resources Management Act.² The notice must be on a form prescribed by the LBB and filed no later than the thirtieth day after the date the agency enters into the contract.³

For the purposes of the Information Resources Management Act, state agency is defined as a department, commission, board, office, council, authority, or other agency in the executive or judicial branches of state government that is established by the state constitution or statute, including a university system or institution of higher education.⁴

A major information system includes the following items: one or more computers that in the aggregate cost more than \$100,000; a service related to computers, including computer software, that costs more than \$100,000; and a telecommunications apparatus or device that serves as a voice, data, or videocommunications network for transmitting, switching, routing, multiplexing, modulating, amplifying, or receiving signals on the network and costs more than \$100,000.⁵

LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION

The planning and procurement requirements of the Information Resources Management Act do not apply to the Lottery division of the Texas Lottery Commission.⁶

INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

A university system or institution of higher education must provide written notice to the LBB of a contract for a major information system only if the cost of the system exceeds \$1.0 million pursuant to the Information Resources Management Act.⁷ The notice must be on a form prescribed by the LBB and filed no later than the thirtieth day after the date the agency enters into the contract.⁸

An institution of higher education is defined as any public technical institute, public junior college, public senior college or university, medical or dental unit, public state college, or other agency of higher education.⁹

However, the Information Resources Management Act does not apply to public junior colleges or public junior college districts, except as necessary for participation in the electronic government project.¹⁰

^{1.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2054.008(b).

^{2.} The Information Resources Management Act is the short title for the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2054. The Texas Government Code, Section 2054.002.

^{3.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2054.008(b).

^{4.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2054.003(13).

^{5.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2054.008(a).

^{6.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2054.007.

^{7.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2054.008(c).

^{8.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2054.008(b).

^{9.} The Texas Education Code, Section 61.003(8).

^{10.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2054.0075.

EXCEPTIONS

Exception 1: Activities of the Texas Military Department

The Texas Military Department¹¹ is exempt from the provisions of the Information Resources Management Act relating to the oversight of information resources and information resource manager provisions to the extent that the National Guard Bureau and the U.S. Department of Defense provide information technology and communications to the department.¹²

Exception 2: State Preservation Board

The Information Resources Management Act does not apply to the State Preservation Board.¹³ ¹⁴

Exception 3: Operation of the Lottery

The Information Resources Management Act does not apply to a contract for the acquisition or provision of facilities, supplies, equipment, materials, or services related to the operation of the lottery. 15

Exception 4: Administering Assets of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas

The Information Resources Management Act does not apply to the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) except that TRS must comply with cybersecurity and information security standards established by the Department of Information Resources pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2054.16 17

Exception 5: Uniform Statewide Accounting

The Information Resources Management Act does not apply to contracts made pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2101, Accounting Procedures, Subchapter C, Uniform Statewide Accounting. 18

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^{11.} The Texas Government Code, Section 437.001(3).

^{12.} The Texas Government Code, Section 437,109(a).

^{13.} The Texas Government Code, Section 443.001.

^{14.} The Texas Government Code, Section 443.0231.

^{15.} The Texas Government Code, Section 466.105(1).

^{16.} The Texas Government Code, Section 821.001(14).

^{17.} The Texas Government Code, Section 825.103(e).

^{18.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2101.039(3).

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

The following agencies and institutions are required to provide written notice to the LBB of a contract for a construction project if the amount of the contract, including an amendment, modification, renewal, or extension of the contract, exceeds \$50,000 pursuant to provisions in the Texas Government Code relating to the building construction and acquisition and disposition of real property: the Texas Facilities Commission¹⁹; the Texas Department of Transportation²⁰; state institutions of higher education²¹; the Texas Department of Agriculture²²; the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department²³; the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality²⁴; the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs²⁵; the Texas Veterans' Land Board²⁶; the Texas Historical Commission²⁷; and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice²⁸. The notice is required to be on a form prescribed by the LBB and filed within 30 days of the award.²⁹

For the purposes of the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2166, a state agency is defined as a department, commission, board, office, or other agency in the executive branch of state government established by the state constitution or a state statute; the Supreme Court of Texas, the Court of Criminal Appeals, a court of appeals, or the Texas Judicial Council; or a university system or an institution of higher education, except a public junior college.³⁰

A project means a building construction project that is financed wholly or partly by a specific appropriation, a bond issue, or federal money. A project includes the construction of the following items: a building, structure, or appurtenant facility or utility, including the acquisition and installation of original equipment and original furnishings; and an addition to, or alteration, rehabilitation, or repair of, an existing building, structure, or appurtenant facility or utility.³¹

EXCEPTION 1: NOTICE ON YEAR 2000 PROJECT OFFICE WEBSITE

The Texas Government Code, Subtitle D, Title 10, does not apply to contracts for goods or services between the Department of Information Resources and private vendors that may be necessary or appropriate to the fulfillment of the requirements of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Section 147.083 (Notice on Year 2000 Project Office Website).³²

EXCEPTION 2A: INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Subject to certain exceptions, the Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to the acquisition of goods and services made pursuant to the Texas Education Code, Section 51.9335 (Acquisition of Goods and Services)³³, which authorizes an institution of higher education to acquire goods or services by the method that provides the best value.³⁴

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19. The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.001(1-a).
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^{20.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.003(a)(1).

^{21.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.003(a)(2).

^{22.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.003(a)(3) and (c).

^{23.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.003(a)(4).

^{24.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.003(a)(8).

^{25.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.003(a)(9).

^{26.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.003(a)(10).

^{27.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.003(a)(11).

^{28.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.003(b).

^{29.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.2551.

^{30.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2151.002.

^{31.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.001(4).

^{32.} The Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Section 147.083(f).

^{33.} The Texas Education Code, Section 51.9335(d).

^{34.} The Texas Education Code, Section 51.9335(a).

EXCEPTION 2B: COMPONENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT HOUSTON

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to the purchase of goods and services made pursuant to the Texas Education Code, Section 73.115 (Acquisition of Goods and Services)³⁵, by a component institution of the University of Texas at Houston by the method that provides the best value to the institution.³⁶

EXCEPTION 2C: COMPONENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL BRANCH AT GALVESTON

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to the purchase of goods and services made pursuant to the Texas Education Code, Section 74.008 (Acquisition of Goods or Services)³⁷, by a component institution of the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston by the method that provides the best value to the institution.³⁸

EXCEPTION 3: DISASTER RESERVISTS PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS DISASTER ACT, 1975

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to disaster reservists employed or contracted pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975³⁹, to support recovery operations in the aftermath of a disaster or major emergency.⁴⁰

EXCEPTION 4: STATE PRESERVATION BOARD

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to a purchase or lease pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 443, State Preservation Board.⁴¹

EXCEPTION 5: TEXAS STATE HISTORY MUSEUM FUND

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to a purchase or lease made with funding from the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum Local Trust Fund.^{42 43}

EXCEPTION 6: OPERATION OF THE STATE LOTTERY

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to a contract for the acquisition or provision of facilities, supplies, equipment, materials, or services related to the operation of the state lottery system.⁴⁴

EXCEPTION 7: FOREIGN OFFICES MAINTAINED AND OPERATED BY THE TEXAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM OFFICE

No provision of the Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, except for Chapter 2175, applies to the operation and maintenance of foreign offices maintained by the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office, or other authorized transactions relating to such foreign offices.⁴⁵

EXCEPTION 8: CERTAIN CONTRACTS RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to a contract between the board of trustees of the Employees Retirement System of Texas⁴⁶, or a third-party administrator approved by the board, and a vendor qualified to participate in a deferred compensation plan (the Texas Government Code, Section 609.505) or to a contract the board of trustees enters into for necessary goods and consolidated billing, accounting, and other services to be provided in connection with a deferred compensation plan (the Texas Government Code, Section 609.509).⁴⁷

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35. The Texas Education Code, Section 73.115(f).
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^{36.} The Texas Education Code, Section 73.115(a).

^{37.} The Texas Education Code, Section 74.008(g).

^{38.} The Texas Education Code, Section 74.008(a).

^{39.} The Texas Disaster Act of 1975 is the short title for the Texas Government Code, Chapter 418. The Texas Government Code, Section 418.001.

^{40.} The Texas Government Code, Section 418.045(b).

^{41.} The Texas Government Code, Section 443.023.

^{42.} The Texas Government Code, Section 445.012(a).

^{43.} The Texas Government Code, Section 445.012(f).

^{44.} The Texas Government Code, Section 466.105(2).

^{45.} The Texas Government Code, Section 481.027(e).

^{46.} The Texas Government Code, Section 609.001(1).

^{47.} The Texas Government Code, Section 609.510(1).

EXCEPTION 9: ADMINISTERING ASSETS OF THE TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS

Notwithstanding any other law, TRS⁴⁸ has exclusive authority for the purchase of goods and services using funding other than appropriations from the General Revenue Fund, specifically including funding from trusts that TRS administers; therefore, the Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitles D and F, do not apply to TRS regarding that funding.⁴⁹

EXCEPTION 10: UNIFORM STATEWIDE ACCOUNTING

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to contracts made pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Subchapter C, Uniform Statewide Accounting, Section 2101, Accounting Procedures.⁵⁰

EXCEPTION 11: PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2166, Building Construction and Acquisition and Disposition of Real Property, does not apply to a qualifying project pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2267, Public and Private Facilities and Infrastructure.⁵¹

A qualifying project means any ferry, mass transit facility, vehicle parking facility, port facility, power generation facility, fuel supply facility, oil or gas pipeline, water supply facility, public work, waste treatment facility, hospital, school, medical or nursing care facility, recreational facility, public building, technology facility, or other similar facility currently available or to be made available to a governmental entity for public use, including any structure, parking area, appurtenance, and other property required to operate the structure or facility and any technology infrastructure installed in the structure or facility that is essential to the project's purpose; or any improvements necessary or desirable to real property owned by a governmental entity.⁵²

EXCEPTION 12: TRUSTEES FOR NURSING OR CONVALESCENT HOMES

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to any payments made by a trustee pursuant to the Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 242, Convalescent and Nursing Facilities and Related Institutions, Subchapter D, Trustees for Nursing or Convalescent Homes.⁵³

EXCEPTION 13: TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to a procurement pursuant to the Texas Transportation Code, Chapter 202, Control of Transportation Assets, Subchapter E, Telecommunications Facilities, relating to certain agreements between the Texas Department of Transportation⁵⁴ and telecommunications providers.⁵⁵

EXCEPTION 14: ERECTION AND MAINTENANCE OF SIGNS

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to purchases of goods and services pursuant to the Texas Transportation Code, Section 391.091, Erection and Maintenance of Signs⁵⁶, relating to contracts between the Texas Department of Transportation⁵⁷ and individuals, firms, groups, or associations in Texas to erect and maintain specific informational logo signs and major shopping area guide signs at appropriate locations along an eligible highway.⁵⁸

^{48.} The Texas Government Code, Section 821.001(14).

^{49.} The Texas Government Code, Section 825.103(d).

^{50.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2101.039(1).

^{51.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2267.065.

^{52.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2267.001(10).

^{53.} The Texas Health and Safety Code, Section 242.099.

^{54.} The Texas Transportation Code, Section 201.001(2).

^{55.} The Texas Transportation Code, Section 202.095(a).

^{56.} The Texas Transportation Code, Section 391.091(e).

^{57.} The Texas Transportation Code, Section 201.001(2).

^{58.} The Texas Transportation Code, Section 391.091(a).

EXCEPTION 15: PRIVATE NETWORK SERVICES

The Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, does not apply to a contract entered into pursuant to the Texas Utilities Code, Chapter 58, Incentive Regulation, Subchapter G, Infrastructure Commitment to Certain Entities, relating to private network services.⁵⁹

PROFESSIONAL AND CONSULTING SERVICES CONTRACTS

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

A state agency, including an institution of higher education, is required to provide written notice to the LBB of a contract for professional services other than a contract for physician or optometric services, if the amount of the contract, including an amendment, modification, renewal, or extension of the contract exceeds \$50,000⁶⁰ pursuant to the Professional Services Procurement Act.⁶¹ The notice is required to be on a form prescribed by the LBB and filed within 30 days of award.⁶²

Professional services are defined as services within the scope of the practice, as defined by state law, for the following professions: accounting; architecture; landscape architecture; land surveying; medicine; optometry; professional engineering; real estate appraising; or professional nursing. Professional services also are defined as services provided in connection with the professional employment or practice of an individual who is licensed or registered as a certified public accountant; an architect; a landscape architect; a land surveyor; a physician, including a surgeon; an optometrist; a professional engineer; a state-certified or state-licensed real estate appraiser; or a registered nurse.⁶³

CONSULTING SERVICES

A state agency is required to provide written notice to the LBB of a contract for consulting services if the amount of the contract, including the amendment, modification, renewal, or extension of the contract, exceeds \$50,000. The notice is required to be on a form prescribed by the LBB and filed within 30 days of award.⁶⁴

Regarding consulting services, a state agency is defined as a department, commission, board, office, or other agency in the executive branch of state government established by the state constitution or statute; the Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, a Court of Appeals, or the Texas Judicial Council; or a university system or an institution of higher education, except a public junior college.⁶⁵

The reporting requirement for consulting services contracts pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 2254.0301(a), does not apply to a university system or institution of higher education.⁶⁶

A university system is defined as the association of one or more public senior colleges or universities, medical or dental units, or other agencies of higher education administered by a single governing board.⁶⁷

^{59.} The Texas Utilities Code, Section 58.255(d).

^{60.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2254.006.

^{61.} The Professional Services Procurement Act is the short title for the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254. The Texas Government Code, Section 2254.001.

^{62.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2254.006.

^{63.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2254.002(2).

^{64.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2254.0301(a).

^{65.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2254.021(5).

^{66.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2254.0301(b).

^{67.} The Texas Education Code, Section 61.003(10).

EXCEPTIONS

Exception 1: Institutions of Higher Education, including Public Junior Colleges

Subject to certain exceptions, the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to the acquisition of goods and services pursuant to the Texas Education Code, Section 51.9335, Acquisition of Goods and Services⁶⁸, which authorizes an institution of higher education to acquire goods or services by the method that provides the best value.⁶⁹

Exception 2: Component Institutions of the University of Texas at Houston

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to the purchase of goods and services made pursuant to the Texas Education Code, Section 73.115, Acquisition of Goods and Services⁷⁰, by a component institution of the University of Texas at Houston by the method that provides the best value to the institution.⁷¹

Exception 3a: Regulatory Cooperation by the Banking Commissioner of Texas relating toTrust Companies

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to contracts entered into by the Banking Commissioner of Texas, to carry out the purpose of the Texas Finance Code, Subtitle F, Trust Companies, Chapter 187, Multistate Trust Business, with another supervisory agency having concurrent regulatory or supervisory jurisdiction to engage the services of the agency for reasonable compensation to assist with the banking commissioner's performance of official duties pursuant to Subtitle F or another law, or to provide services to the agency for reasonable compensation in connection with the agency's performance of official duties in accordance with the law.⁷²

Exception 3b: Regulatory Cooperation by the Banking Commissioner of Texas relating toBank Holding Companies and Interstate Bank Operations

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to contracts entered into by the Banking Commissioner of Texas, to the extent permitted by federal law, with another banking supervisory agency or functional regulatory agency that has concurrent regulatory or supervisory jurisdiction to engage the services of the agency for reasonable compensation to assist in connection with the commissioner's performance of official duties pursuant to the Texas Finance Code, Subtitle G, Bank Holding Companies; Interstate Bank Operations, Chapter 201, General Provisions, or another law, or to provide services to the agency for reasonable compensation in connection with the agency's performance of official duties in accordance with the law.⁷³

Exception 4: Disaster Reservists Pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to disaster reservists employed or contracted pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975⁷⁴, to support recovery operations in the aftermath of a disaster or major emergency.⁷⁵

Exception 5: Operation of the State Lottery

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to a contract for the acquisition or provision of facilities, supplies, equipment, materials, or services related to the operation of the state lottery system.⁷⁶

^{68.} The Texas Education Code, Section 51.9335(d).

^{69.} The Texas Education Code, Section 51.9335(a).

^{70.} The Texas Education Code, Section 73.115(f).

^{71.} The Texas Education Code, Section 73.115(a).

^{72.} The Texas Finance Code, Section 187.301(3).

^{73.} The Texas Finance Code, Section 201.005(3).

^{74.} The Texas Disaster Act of 1975 is the short title for the Texas Government Code, Chapter 418. The Texas Government Code, Section 418.001.

^{75.} The Texas Government Code, Section 418.045(b).

^{76.} The Texas Government Code, Section 466.105(1).

Exception 6: Certain Contracts Relating to the Employees Retirement System of Texas

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to a contract between the board of trustees of the Employees Retirement System of Texas⁷⁷, or a third-party administrator approved by the board, and a vendor qualified to participate in a deferred compensation plan (the Texas Government Code, Section 609.505) or to a contract the board of trustees enters into for necessary goods and consolidated billing, accounting, and other services to be provided in connection with a deferred compensation plan (the Texas Government Code, Section 609.509).⁷⁸

Exception 7: Uniform Statewide Accounting

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to contracts made pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2101, Accounting Procedures, Subchapter C, Uniform Statewide Accounting.⁷⁹

Exception 8 (Applies Only to Consulting Services Contracts): Honorarium Relating to the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, Professional and Consulting Services, Subchapter B, Consulting Services, does not apply to an honorarium made to a member of a scientific research and programs committee pursuant to the Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 102, Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas.⁸⁰

Exception 9: Certain Purchases Made by the Board of Directors of the Nacogdoches County Hospital District The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to purchases of goods and services made by the board of directors of the Nacogdoches County Hospital District⁸¹ pursuant to the Texas Special District Local Laws Code, Section 1069.106, Purchasing and Accounting Procedures.⁸²

Exception 10a: Comprehensive Development Agreements Relating to Bids and Contracts for Highway Projects The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to a comprehensive development agreement entered into pursuant to the Texas Transportation Code, Chapter 223, Bids and Contracts for Highway Projects, Subchapter E, Comprehensive Development Agreements.⁸³

Exception 10b: Comprehensive Development Agreements Pursuant to the Regional TollwayAuthority Act⁸⁴
The Texas Government Code Chapter 2254 does not apply to a comprehensive development agreement entered in

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to a comprehensive development agreement entered into pursuant to the Texas Transportation Code, Chapter 366, Regional Tollway Authorities, Subchapter H, Comprehensive Development Agreements.⁸⁵

Exception 10c: Comprehensive Development Agreements Pursuant to the Regional Mobility Authority Act⁸⁶

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2254, does not apply to a comprehensive development agreement entered into pursuant to the Texas Transportation Code, Section 370.305, Comprehensive Development Agreements.⁸⁷

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, ARTICLE IX, SECTION 7.04

A state agency or institution of higher education is required to report to the LBB, in the LBB's prescribed manner, any contracts with expected values exceeding \$50,000 before the thirtieth calendar day after awarding such contracts or granting amendments,

^{77.} The Texas Government Code, Section 609.001(1).

^{78.} The Texas Government Code, Section 609.510(3).

^{79.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2101.039(2).

^{80.} The Texas Health and Safety Code, Section 102.151(d).

^{81.} The Texas Special District Local Laws Code, Section 1069.001(1), (3).

^{82.} The Texas Special District Local Laws Code, Section 1069.106(f).

^{83.} The Texas Transportation Code, Section 223.203(o).

⁸⁴ The Regional Tollway Authority Act is the short title for the Texas Transportation Code, Chapter 366. The Texas Transportation Code, Section 366.001.

^{85.} The Texas Transportation Code, Section 366.402(o).

⁸⁶ The Regional Mobility Authority Act is the short title for the Texas Transportation Code, Chapter 370. The Texas Transportation Code, Section 370.001.

^{87.} The Texas Transportation Code, Section 370.306(o).

modifications, renewals or extensions with regards to such contracts.⁸⁸ This requirement does not apply to certain major information systems⁸⁹, construction⁹⁰, professional services⁹¹, and consulting services⁹² contracts that must be reported to the LBB pursuant to the Texas Government Code.⁹³

The General Appropriations Act (GAA) does not apply to self-directed, semi-independent stateagencies; the GAA applies only to state agencies and institutions of higher education that receive appropriations pursuant to the GAA.

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, ARTICLE IX, SECTION 7.11

An agency or institution of higher education is prohibited from expending any funds to make payment on a contract until providing the LBB with notice before the date on which the first payment of the contract will be made, but no later than 30 calendar days after the date on which the contract is awarded if the value of the contract exceeds or may reasonably be expected to exceed \$10.0 million or \$1.0 million if the contract was awarded or made without issuing a request for proposal, request for bid, or other similar process common to participation in the competitive bidding processes as required by statute, rule, or ordinary and commonly recognized state policies and procedures.⁹⁴

An agency or institution of higher education that expends any funds to make payment on a contract that exceeds or may reasonably be expected to exceed \$1.0 million and that was made as a result of an emergency (i.e., such a contract must be necessary to avoid a hazard to life, health, safety or the welfare of humans, or to avoid hazard to property) or following an emergency procedure authorized by statute is required to provide the LBB with notice of the contract within five days of the award.⁹⁵

Additionally, the GAA, Article IX, Section 7.11, requires that all agencies and institutions include the contract documents and solicitations as part of the attestation for all contracts exceeding \$10.0 million and all noncompetitive contracts of more than \$1.0 million. This provision has no exceptions.

^{88.} General Appropriations Act, Article IX, Section 7.04(d)

^{89.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2054.008(a).

^{90.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2166.2551.

^{91.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2254.006.

^{92.} The Texas Government Code, Section 2254.0301.

^{93.} General Appropriations Act, Article IX, Section 7.04(b).

^{94.} General Appropriations Act, Article IX, Section 7.11(b), (c).

^{95.} General Appropriations Act, Article IX, Section 7.11(b), (c).