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**Conference Center in
or Near a State Park**

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission may enter into a joint agreement with the governing board of an institution of higher education, including a college district, to finance and build a conference center and other appropriate related facilities to be located in or near a state park. A facility built under this section must be operated cooperatively to provide benefits to the department and the institution of higher education in accomplishing the purposes of the department and the institution. The commission and an institution of higher education may use any funds, property, or other assets available to finance and build a facility under this section. *Parks and Wildlife Code 13.0046*

**Notice to the State
Regarding Contracts**

Definition

"Contract" includes a contract, grant, or agreement, including a revenue generating contract, an interagency or interlocal grant or agreement, purchase order or other written expression of terms of agreement or an amendment, modification, renewal, or extension of such for the purchase or sale of goods or services that was entered into or paid for, either in whole or in part, by a state agency or institution of higher education, including a college district.

"Contract" includes an amendment, modification, renewal, or extension which increases a contract's value from a value less than or equal to \$50,000 to a value greater than \$50,000.

"Contract" does not include a contract with a value of less than or equal to \$50,000.

General Appropriations Act, 86th Leg., R.S., H.B. 1, IX-35

Contracts
Exceeding \$50,000

Before the 30th calendar day after awarding a contract or granting an amendment, modification, renewal, or extension, a state agency or institution of higher education shall report to the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) in the manner prescribed by the LBB all contracts, amendments, modifications, renewals, and extensions to which the agency or institution was a party.

A state agency or institution of higher education receiving an appropriation under the General Appropriations Act shall report a contract pursuant to this section without regard to source of funds or method of finance associated with the expenditure, including a contract for which only non-appropriated funds will be expended.

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Additional Notice
Regarding
Contracts for
Services Exceeding
\$1 Million

For contracts with an initial award value greater than \$1 million, a state agency or institution of higher education shall provide notice of a contract for services for which the expected total value of the contract subsequent to amendment or renewal exceeds the total value of the initial contract award by ten percent or more, in accordance with procedures established by the LBB, to:

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1. The governor;
2. The lieutenant governor; and
3. The speaker of the house of representatives.

A state agency or institution of higher education must provide the notice required under this provision not later than the 30th day after the date of the disclosure or discovery that the expected total value of the contract subsequent to amendment or renewal exceeds the total value of the initial contract award by ten percent. The notice must include:

1. The amount of the cost increase;
2. The reason for the cost increase; and
3. Any opportunity the state agency had to lessen the cost or to purchase the service from another vendor after the first dollar of the increased cost was discovered or disclosed to the agency or institution.

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