BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, an agency must reject a contracting services bid if a prospective contractor does not include certain information regarding child support enforcement. Losing several competitive contracts to a technicality results in a decrease in contracts and, thereby, an increase in cost to the state for contracted services. S.B. 620 would authorize a state agency to accept a bid that does not include certain child support information, if the state agency collects the requisite information before the contract, grant, or loan is executed.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 620 authorizes a state agency to conditionally accept certain bids lacking necessary child support information.

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 231.006, Family Code, by adding Subsection (j), to authorize a state agency to accept a bid that does not include the information required under Subsection (c) if the state agency collects the information before the contract, grant, or loan is executed.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.