

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

In the State of New Mexico, in the spirit of the state's historical embracement of the arts, the legislature created the Capitol Art Foundation (foundation) in 1991, which has since become one of the New Mexico Capitol's most endearing features. The foundation was created to assist in the acquisition of art for permanent, public exhibition in the State Capitol. The capitol art collection (collection) features contemporary masterworks by artists who live and work in New Mexico. The collection is housed throughout the public areas of the building on all four floors. The collection consists of a wide range of media, styles, and traditions, including handcrafted furniture groupings. The mission of the foundation is to collect, preserve, exhibit, interpret and promote appreciation of works of art that reflect the rich and diverse history, cultures, and art forms of the people of New Mexico.

As proposed, S.B. 2177 amends Chapter 443, Government Code, enabling the State Preservation Board, any other state agency, and any appropriate committees that are established under this chapter, to participate in the establishment and operation of an affiliated nonprofit organization that is created for the purpose of accepting art donations and raising money for the acquisition of art pieces in the Texas Capitol.

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 Chapter 443, Government Code, by adding Section 443.0104, as follows:

Sec. 443.0104. CAPITOL HISTORIC ART NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION. Authorizes the State Preservation Board, in consultation with any appropriate state agencies and any appropriate committees that are established under this chapter, to participate in the establishment and operation of an affiliated nonprofit organization that is established for the purpose of raising money for the acquisition of art pieces for the Capitol.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2009.