

AGENDA ITEM 32

Consider approving a resolution urging the State Legislature to seek a statewide solution to the budget crisis, instead of passing the burden to counties and their ad valorem taxpayers.

Moved: **Commissioner Heiligenstein**

Seconded: **Judge Doerfler**

Motion: To approve a resolution urging the State Legislature to seek a statewide solution to the budget crisis, instead of passing the burden to counties and their ad valorem taxpayers.

Vote: **5 - 0**

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Resolution

WHEREAS the Texas House of Representatives and Texas Senate have worked diligently to overcome a state budget shortfall of \$10 billion during the current biennium cycle of the Texas Legislature; and

WHEREAS the budgets passed in late April by each chamber of the Legislature seek to address the shortfall with budget reductions throughout state programs, such as health care and criminal justice; and

WHEREAS the finalization of the state budget now moves to a legislative conference committee composed of capable Senators and Representatives; and

WHEREAS the successful operation of Texas county government is closely tied to the state budget and the effective implementation of state laws and programs; and

WHEREAS the state budget reductions to health care and criminal justice will greatly affect the counties' abilities to carry out state and federal mandates in those programs; and

WHEREAS the health care reductions will necessitate counties and their public health facilities to treat increased numbers of indigent and uninsured patients at local taxpayers' expense; and

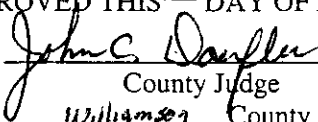
WHEREAS the criminal justice reductions will necessitate counties and their jails to house growing numbers of criminal offenders at local taxpayers' expense; and

WHEREAS county government in Texas wishes to be an effective partner in assisting the state in addressing its budget constraints; and

WHEREAS county government in Texas wishes to protect local property taxpayers from escalating ad valorem tax rates;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Williamson County Commissioners Court does hereby call upon the Texas Legislature to seek a statewide solution to the budget crisis, instead of passing the burden to counties and their ad valorem taxpayers; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Williamson County Commissioners Court does hereby urge the Texas Legislature to consider passage of state revenue increases that would more evenly spread the burden of costs across the state and better protect local ad valorem taxpayers.

APPROVED THIS ^{13TH} DAY OF MAY, 2003.

 County Judge
Williamson County

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AGENDA ITEM 33

Consider awarding an HR/Payroll software implementation services contract to vendor meeting the County's selection criteria.

Moved: **Judge Doerfler**

Seconded: **Commissioner Boatright**

Motion: To award an HR/Payroll software implementation services contract to vendor meeting the County's selection criteria, AST Corporation, in the amount of \$330,000.

Vote: **5 - 0**

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PROPOSAL
Williamson County

Response to RFP No. 03WC902

⌘ *Payroll Software Implementation Services* ⌘

Submitted By:

Applications Software Technology Corporation



Due Date & Time:

March 27, 2003 – 2:00 PM CST