

Purchasing Tip #5: House Bill 89 and Senate Bill 252 *NEW Form*

*This procedure should be added to your Fiscal Procedure Manual - Section 04 Purchasing-Contracts.

Basically, this new form (attached) is required as an addition to “every” contract. So if you get a contract please ask the vendor to complete, **HB 89** form, and forward it along with the Request for Approval and Signature for Legal Contract and the vendor contract (*Reference Purchasing Tip #4*). For Independent Consultants (*Individuals*), if you are using the new form (*dated 9/1/2017*) it has been already updated and there is no need for the new form.

The phrase below explains the new form to vendors and requires them to certify they are not terrorists. In addition the vendor cannot boycott Israel during the term of our contractual agreement. Once the form reaches the purchasing department, we will verify the vendor’s information on the Texas Comptrollers web site.

*****Statement to Vendors*****

The State Legislation is requiring a new process with all new contracts, effective September 1, 2017. The information below summarizes the requirements:

Vendor hereby certifies that it is not a company identified on the Texas Comptroller’s list of companies known to have contracts with, or provide supplies or services to, a foreign organization designated as a Foreign Terrorist Organization by the U.S. Secretary of State. Vendor further certifies and verifies that neither Vendor, nor any affiliate, subsidiary, or parent company of Vendor, if any (the “Vendor Companies”), boycotts Israel, and Vendor agrees that Vendor and Vendor Companies will not boycott Israel during the term of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, the term “boycott” shall mean and include terminating business activities or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory.

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