

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. _____

Offered by _____ of _____

Amend SS/HCS/House Bill No. 137, Page 4, Section 34.040, Line 18,

2 of said page, by inserting after all of said line the following:

3 "67.617. 1. Each regional convention and visitors
 4 commission shall, before the second Monday in October, make an
 5 annual report to the chief executive officers and governing
 6 bodies of the city and county, respectively, and to the general
 7 assembly stating the condition of the commission on the first day
 8 of July of that year, and the various sums of money received and
 9 distributed by it during the preceding calendar year. The fiscal
 10 year for each regional convention and visitors commission shall
 11 begin on the first day of July and end on the thirtieth day of
 12 June of the following calendar year.

13 2. Before the close of the first fiscal year of such
 14 commission, and at the close of every third fiscal year
 15 thereafter, the chief executives of the city and county, jointly,
 16 shall appoint one or more certified public accountants, who shall
 17 annually examine the books, accounts, and vouchers of the
 18 regional convention and visitors commission, and who shall make
 19 due report thereof to the chief executives and the board of the
 20 district. The commission shall produce and submit to the
 21 accountants for examination all books, papers, documents,
 22 vouchers, and accounts of their office belonging or pertaining to

1 the office, and shall in every way assist the accountants in
2 their work. In the report to be made by the accountants they may
3 make any recommendation they deem proper as to the business
4 methods of the officers and employees. A reasonable compensation
5 for the services of the accountants shall be paid by the
6 commission.

7 3. In addition to the exceptions available under sections
8 610.010 to 610.225, the leases, agreements, contracts, or
9 subleases, and any amendments thereto, for space, usage, or
10 services in any convention center or related facilities owned or
11 operated by a regional convention and visitors commission, or any
12 drafts or unexecuted versions of such documents, shall not be
13 considered public records within the meaning of subdivision (6)
14 of section 610.010, when, in the reasonable judgment of the
15 commission, the disclosure of the information in the records may
16 endanger the competitiveness of the business of prospects of the
17 commission or provide an unfair advantage to its competitors;
18 provided, however, that the foregoing may not be deemed to
19 include any leases, agreements, contracts, or subleases involving
20 a professional sports franchise."; and

21 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.