

Sabine County Commissioners Court Order

POLICY FOR SPENDING BY CERTAIN COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICIALS

Section 130.908 Texas Local Government Code

Effective immediately, the Sabine County Commissioners Court has ordered the following statements to be the official policy of Sabine County regarding bills incurred by outgoing County and Precinct Officials pursuant to:

Texas Local Government Code Section 130.908. APPROVAL OF SPENDING BY CERTAIN COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS. If an incumbent county or precinct officer is not renominated or is not reelected to the county or precinct office of a county, during the time following the date the results of the official canvass of the primary or election returns are announced, the commissioners court must approve any expenditure by the incumbent county or precinct officer who was not renominated or reelected that is over an amount set by the commissioner's court.

Added by Acts 1991, 72nd Leg, ch. 793, Sec. 1, eff Aug 26, 1991.

Amended by Acts 2003, 78th Leg, ch. 592, Sec. 1, ejf. Sept. 1, 2003.

**Amount:** The amount for purposes of this statute is set at: For the first quarter of the new budget year, expenditures by an incumbent county or precinct officer, who was not re-nominated or re-elected, may not exceed the quarterly pro-rated budget amount for any individual line item.

**Pre-approval:** Any expenditure that will exceed the amount set above must be approved by Commissioners Court prior to the issuance of a purchase order. Any financial obligation incurred by an outgoing Precinct or County Officer that exceeds the limit set out above without prior approval from Commissioners Court will be the personal responsibility of the outgoing Precinct or County Officer.

**Officers:** County or Precinct Officers who shall comply with this policy and State statute are:

County Judge	Treasurer	Auditor
Constable	County Clerk	County Attorney
Sheriff	District Clerk	District Attorney
County Commissioner		Justice of the Peace
Tax Assessor Collector		

**Separate Bills:** Bills, invoices, statements, quotes, purchase orders, etc. may not be divided into separate or smaller transactions for purposes of avoiding this policy. In the event this occurs, all requests for spending for the remainder of the term of office will become subject to prior approval by the Commissioners Court.

**Delayed Bills:** Bills may not be held or delayed for payment with the intention of avoiding this policy.

**Compliance Verification:** The County or Precinct Official who was not re-nominated or re-elected will provide documentation to the Commissioners Court, upon request, to ensure compliance with this policy and statute. The County Auditor or County Treasurer will notify the Commissioners Court of any known discrepancies, and the Purchasing Agent will notify the Commissioners Court of pending expenditures subject to this policy.

**Continuing Education:** Sabine County Commissioner's Court may deem continued education no longer necessary for county or precinct officer(s) that are not reelected to office.

Subscribed and acknowledged before me by said County Official on this 12 day of August, 2024

Jamie Clark  
Jamie Clark, County Clerk

Daryl Melton  
Daryl Melton, County Judge

Brent Cox  
Brent Cox, Pct 1

Keith Nabours  
Keith Nabours, Pct 2

Stanley Jacks  
Stanley Jacks, Pct 3

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