

## **Appendix B: Laws Authorizing Interlocal Cooperation**

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### Examples of Texas Laws Authorizing Interlocal Cooperation<sup>1</sup>

<i>Function</i>	<i>Statute</i>	<i>Citation</i>
Conservation	Interlocal financing of drainage, flood control or water supply facilities. Interlocal acquisition of rights-of-way for construction and maintenance of flood control facilities.	WATER CODE §51.168-51.170
	Water district lease of irrigation system to another district.	WATER CODE §51.173-51.177
	Annual contracting power of levee improvement districts.	WATER CODE §57.120
Emergency	Planning for 9-1-1 emergency communications services by councils of governments	HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §771.055
	Interjurisdictional contracts for disaster preparedness and coordination of response.	GOV'T CODE §418.109
General	Joint governmental services and facilities to city across state line.	GOV'T CODE §763.002
	Interlocal contracts for governmental facilities.	GOV'T CODE §791.001
	Regional planning commission contracts with participating governmental unit.	LOC. GOV'T CODE §391.005

<sup>1</sup> Derived from *Durable Partnerships in Texas: The Interlocal Contract at Mid-Decade*, University of Texas at Arlington, 1995.

<b><i>Function</i></b>	<b><i>Statute</i></b>	<b><i>Citation</i></b>
Natural Resources	Interlocal water quality management, inspection, and enforcement services.	WATER CODE §26.175
Personnel	Joint employment of auditors by counties with certain other counties.	LOC. GOV'T CODE §84.008
	Services of an employee of a local government or of an administrative agency created by contract or records management officer for other local governments.	LOC. GOV'T CODE §203.025(f)
Planning	Creation of joint planning commissions by contiguous cities.	LOC. GOV'T CODE §371.042
	Multi-city-county formation of regional planning commissions (councils of governments).	LOC. GOV'T CODE §391.003
	River authority cooperation with other governments for river basin planning.	WATER CODE §30.103, §30.104
Property	Property acquisition through joint city or city-county arrangements, including condemnation.	LOC. GOV'T CODE §273.001
	County contracts with certain small cities for use of public buildings for county purposes.	LOC. GOV'T CODE §305.001