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Re: Request for an Attorney General Opinion

Dear General Cornyn:

Please consider this a request for an Attorney General's Opinion to consider the following issue:

(1) Whether Section 130.908 of the Local Government Code applies to an Incumbent County Commissioner that is not re-elected at the time of the Primary election or does it only apply to the General election . (2) Does the Statute require prior approval of any expenditure by incumbent County Commissioner who is not re-elected?

Please be advised that these questions have arisen regarding the above referenced Statute. Since there is no Attorney General opinion on this matter that I could find, there was actually no research, it seemed to me, to do in completing this request. Therefore, I have completed no research and offer no substantial opinion other than that the Statute does not seem to require to me prior approval of any expenditures. Since this matter does affect day to day business and the question has come up in our county, an expedited opinion would be very much appreciated in the matter.

Thank you for your cooperation and attention.

Sincerely

Tim Cone

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cc: Commissioner's Court