

The City of Austin currently collects property taxes on tangible personal property in transit, which, as of January 1, 2012, would automatically be exempt from taxation under Texas Tax Code 11.253, as amended by Senate Bill 1 of the 82<sup>nd</sup> Legislature. The amended code allows taxing entities to opt-out of this automatic exemption, provided the entity holds a public hearing and adopts an ordinance to continue the taxation.