



Sears to decide soon about moving HQ to Austin

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Sears Holding Corp. will decide by the first of 2012 whether to relocate its corporate headquarters from the Chicago area to Austin, officials announced.

Illinois lawmakers on Tuesday voted down a tax relief bill that would have given Sears a \$15 million annual tax break over 10 years if the company stayed in that state.

Sears currently employs about 6,200 people outside Chicago.

The *Austin Business Journal* [reported](#) in October that Sears put Austin and Columbus, Ohio on its short list for possible locations to move its headquarters.

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