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S.B. No. 1777

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to simultaneous translation from Spanish to English of public testimony heard by a committee of the legislature.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 301, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 301.036 to read as follows:

Sec. 301.036. SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION OF PUBLIC TESTIMONY IN A COMMITTEE HEARING. The chair of a committee of the legislature must provide without charge professional simultaneous translation from Spanish to English of public testimony heard in committee if a person requests the translation in writing to the chair not later than the third day before the date of the hearing.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.