

AN ACT

relating to petition requirements for an application for a place on the general primary election ballot for certain judicial candidates.

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

SECTION 1. Section 172.021, Election Code, is amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

(g) A candidate for the office of chief justice or justice, supreme court, or presiding judge or judge, court of criminal appeals, who chooses to pay the filing fee must also accompany the application with a petition that complies with the requirements prescribed for a petition authorized by Subsection (b), except that the minimum number of signatures that must appear on the petition required by this subsection is 50 from each court of appeals district.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 296 was passed by the House on April 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 296 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____
Date

Governor