

By: Uresti (Senate Sponsor - Janek) H.B. No. 3194  
(In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2003;  
May 7, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Health  
and Human Services; May 23, 2003, reported favorably by the  
following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 23, 2003, sent to printer.)

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

relating to an exemption for the Department of Protective and  
Regulatory Services from paying certain costs and fees.

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

SECTION 1. Section 40.062, Human Resources Code, is amended  
to read as follows:

Sec. 40.062. EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN COSTS AND FEES. The  
department is not required to pay any cost or fee otherwise imposed  
for court proceedings or other services, including a:

(1) filing fee or fee for issuance or service of  
process imposed by Section 110.002, Family Code, or by Section  
51.317, 51.318(b)(2), or 51.319, Government Code;

(2) transfer fee imposed by Section 110.002 or  
110.005, Family Code;

(3) court reporter fee imposed by Section 51.601,  
Government Code;

(4) judicial fund fee imposed by Sections 51.701 and  
51.702, Government Code;

(5) judge's fee imposed by Section 25.0008 or 25.0029,  
Government Code; ~~or~~

(6) cost or security fee imposed by Section 12 or 622,  
Probate Code; or

(7) fee imposed by a county officer under Section  
118.011 or 118.052, Local Government Code.

SECTION 2. Section 40.062, Human Resources Code, as amended  
by this Act, applies only to the payment of a fee under Section  
118.011 or 118.052, Local Government Code, for a service requested  
or action filed on or after September 1, 2003. The payment of a fee  
for a service requested or action filed before September 1, 2003, is  
governed by the law in effect on the date the service is requested  
or the action is filed, and the former law is continued in effect  
for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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