

Amend SB 898 on third reading by inserting the following appropriately numbered section and renumbering the subsequent sections of the bill accordingly:

SECTION __. Section 31.01(a), Tax Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (f), the assessor for each taxing unit shall prepare and mail a tax bill to each person in whose name the property is listed on the tax roll and ~~[or]~~ to the person's authorized agent. The assessor shall mail tax bills by October 1 or as soon thereafter as practicable. The assessor shall mail to the state agency or institution the tax bill for any taxable property owned by the agency or institution. The agency or institution shall pay the taxes from funds appropriated for payment of the taxes or, if there are none, from funds appropriated for the administration of the agency or institution. The exterior of the tax bill must show the return address of the taxing unit and must contain, in all capital letters, the words "RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED," or another appropriate statement directing the United States Postal Service to return the tax bill if it is not deliverable as addressed.