

1-1 By: Hinojosa S.B. No. 623  
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1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;  
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1-5 Nays 0; May 2, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the authorized charges for providing a copy of public  
1-9 information requested under the public information law.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 552.263, Government Code, is amended by  
1-12 amending Subsection (e) and adding Subsection (f) to read as  
1-13 follows:

1-14 (e) For purposes of Subchapters [~~Subchapter~~] E and G, a  
1-15 request for a copy of public information is considered to have been  
1-16 received by a governmental body on the date the governmental body  
1-17 receives the deposit or bond for payment of anticipated costs or  
1-18 unpaid amounts if the governmental body's officer for public  
1-19 information or the officer's agent requires a deposit or bond in  
1-20 accordance with this section.

1-21 (f) A requestor who fails to make a deposit or post a bond  
1-22 required under Subsection (c) before the 10th day after the date the  
1-23 deposit or bond is required is considered to have withdrawn the  
1-24 request for the copy of the public information that precipitated  
1-25 the requirement of the deposit or bond.

1-26 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act to Section  
1-27 552.263, Government Code, apply only to a subsequent request for a  
1-28 copy of public information that is made under Chapter 552 of that  
1-29 code on or after the effective date of this Act.

1-30 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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