

1-1 By: Raymond, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 842
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 10, 2007;
1-3 April 11, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on State
1-4 Affairs; May 15, 2007, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 15, 2007, sent to printer.)

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

1-8 relating to public access to personal financial statements filed by
1-9 judges and justices.

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

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 572.032, Government Code, is amended by
1-12 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

1-13 (a-1) The commission shall remove the home address of a judge
1-14 or justice from a financial statement filed under this subchapter
1-15 before:

1-16 (1) permitting a member of the public to view the
1-17 statement; or

1-18 (2) providing a copy of the statement to a member of
1-19 the public.

1-20 SECTION 2. Section 572.032(a-1), Government Code, as added
1-21 by this Act, applies to a financial statement filed under
1-22 Subchapter B, Chapter 572, Government Code, regardless of whether
1-23 the statement was required to be filed before, on, or after the
1-24 effective date of this Act.

1-25 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-26 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-27 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-28 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-29 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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