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

1-8 relating to the ability of a governmental body under the public
1-9 information law to request a redetermination from the attorney
1-10 general on dismissal of litigation relating to the same issue.
1-11   BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-12   SECTION 1. Section 552.301, Government Code, is amended by
1-13 adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:
1-14   (g) A governmental body may ask for another decision from
1-15 the attorney general concerning the precise information that was at
1-16 issue in a prior decision made by the attorney general under this
1-17 subchapter if:
1-18   (1) a suit challenging the prior decision was timely
1-19 filed against the attorney general in accordance with this chapter
1-20 concerning the precise information at issue;
1-21   (2) the attorney general determines that the requestor
1-22 has voluntarily withdrawn the request for the information in
1-23 writing or has abandoned the request; and
1-24   (3) the parties agree to dismiss the lawsuit.
1-25   SECTION 2. Subchapter H, Chapter 552, Government Code, is
1-26 amended by adding Section 552.327 to read as follows:
1-27   Sec. 552.327. DISMISSAL   OF   SUIT   DUE   TO   REQUESTOR'S
1-28 WITHDRAWAL OR ABANDONMENT OF REQUEST. A court may dismiss a suit
1-29 challenging a decision of the attorney general brought in
1-30 accordance with this chapter if:
1-31   (1) all parties to the suit agree to the dismissal; and
1-32   (2) the attorney general determines and represents to
1-33 the court that the requestor has voluntarily withdrawn the request
1-34 for information in writing or has abandoned the request.
1-35   SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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