

AN ACT

relating to the deadline for filing a personal financial statement by persons appointed to certain state offices.

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

SECTION 1. Section 572.026(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) An individual who is appointed to serve as a salaried appointed officer or an appointed officer of a major state agency or who is appointed to fill a vacancy in an elective office shall file a financial statement not later than the 30th [~~14th~~] day after the date of appointment or the date of qualification for the office, or if confirmation by the senate is required, before the first committee hearing on the confirmation, whichever date is earlier.

SECTION 2. Section 572.026(b), Government Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to the filing of a financial statement by a person appointed to state office on or after the effective date of this Act. The filing of a financial statement by a person appointed to state office before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the person was appointed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

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

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2839 was passed by the House on April 13, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2839 was passed by the Senate on May 8, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor