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S.B. No. 237

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT

relating to the supreme court's adoption of rules on the electronic filing of documents in civil cases in justice of the peace courts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 22.004, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f) The supreme court shall adopt rules governing the electronic filing of documents in civil cases in justice of the peace courts.

SECTION 2. Not later than January 1, 2008, the Supreme Court of Texas shall adopt the rules required by Subsection (f), Section 22.004, Government Code, as added by this Act.

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 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.