

Amend CSHB 3485 (Senate committee printing) by adding the following SECTIONS and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS appropriately:

SECTION _____. Subsection (a), Section 250.003, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) An individual who is an employee of the owner of real property for which a citation for a violation of a county or municipal rule or ordinance is issued, or of a company that manages the property on behalf of the property owner, is not personally liable for criminal or civil penalties resulting from the violation if, not later than five calendar days after the date the citation is issued, the individual provides the property owner's name, current street address, and telephone number to the enforcement official who issues the citation or the official's superior.

SECTION _____. Section 250.004, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 250.004. AGENT FOR SERVICE; NOTICE OF CITATION.
(a) The [~~If the property owner's street address is not in this state, the~~] employee of the owner or management company to whom a citation described by Section 250.003 is issued is considered the owner's agent for accepting service of the citation for the violation of the county or municipal rule or ordinance. Service of the citation on the agent has the same legal effect as service on the owner for the purpose of fines against the owner or the property, including a warrant or capias.

(b) The county or municipality issuing the citation shall mail notice of the citation to the property owner at the address most recently provided to the county or municipality by the property owner or by the employee of the owner or management company under Section 250.003(a). This subsection does not require a county or municipality to mail notice using a service that provides delivery confirmation.

SECTION _____. The change in law made by Section 250.003 and 250.004, Local Government Code, is effective on or after January 1, 2010.