

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 4718
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Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Recently, legislation was enacted to consolidate the comptroller of public accounts' \$50 court fees throughout the state. However the consolidation failed to include fees collected by the county courts at law. This omission has become a bookkeeping problem for the district clerk's office because district court and county court at law fees must be filed separately.

H.B. 4718 provides that the fees assessed in a case filed in a county court at law in Ector County in which the county court has concurrent jurisdiction with the district court are the same as the fees that would be assessed in the district court for that case.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 4718 amends the Government Code to provide that the fees assessed in a case filed in a county court at law in Ector County in which the county court at law has concurrent civil jurisdiction with the district court are the same as the fees that would be assessed in the district court for that case.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2009.