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H.B. No. 762

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to filing a wage claim.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 61.051(b) and (d), Labor Code, are amended to read as follows:

(b) A wage claim must be filed in a manner and ~~[in writing]~~ on a form prescribed by the commission and must be verified by the employee.

(d) The employee may file the wage claim:

(1) in person at an office of the commission; ~~[or]~~

(2) by mailing the claim to an address designated by the commission;

(3) by faxing the claim to a fax number designated by the commission; or

(4) by any other means adopted by the commission by rule.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a wage claim that is filed with the Texas Workforce Commission on or after the effective date of this Act. A wage claim filed before that date is governed by the law in effect on the date that the claim was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.