

By: Dutton

H.B. No. 2349

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to reporting certain information on the Internet relating to cases heard by administrative law judges employed by the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 2003, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2003.058 to read as follows:

Sec. 2003.058. INTERNET REPORT. (a) The office shall post on the office's Internet website at least once each quarter a report on the total number of cases heard by each administrative law judge employed by the office during the previous quarter.

(b) A report must be posted not later than the 30th day after the last day of the quarter and must include:

(1) the name of each administrative law judge;

(2) the number of cases heard by the administrative law judge during the quarter;

(3) the municipality, county, or region in which the hearing was conducted or the final ruling was made;

(4) the category the office assigned to each case;

(5) the number of cases in which the administrative law judge's decision was favorable to the state; and

(6) the number of cases in which the administrative law judge's decision in favor of the state was appealed to the courts and upheld by the reviewing court.

1        (c) Each administrative law judge employed by the office  
2 shall provide the information required under this section to the  
3 office not later than the 10th day after the last day of each  
4 quarter.

5        SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.