By: Darby, Deshotel H.B. No. 4219

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 4219:

By: Turner of Harris C.S.H.B. No. 4219

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the prohibition of a fee associated with the transfer of

3 real property.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 5.017(b), Property Code, is amended to

6 read as follows:

- 7 (b) A deed restriction or other covenant running with the
- 8 land applicable to the conveyance of [residential] real property
- 9 that requires a transferor or a transferee of residential real
- 10 property or the transferee's heirs, successors, or assigns to pay a
- 11 declarant or other person imposing the deed restriction or covenant
- 12 on the property or a third party designated by a transferor of the
- 13 property a fee in connection with \underline{any} [$\frac{a + future}{a}$] transfer of the
- 14 property is prohibited. A deed restriction or other covenant
- 15 running with the land that violates this section or a lien
- 16 purporting to encumber the land to secure a right under a deed
- 17 restriction or other covenant running with the land that violates
- 18 this section is void and unenforceable. For purposes of this
- 19 section, a conveyance of real property includes a conveyance or
- 20 other transfer of an interest or estate in residential real
- 21 property.
- 22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 2 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.