

1-1 By: Gallego, Thompson (Senate Sponsor - Shapleigh) H.B. No. 4314  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 1, 2009;  
1-3 May 5, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal  
1-4 Justice; May 7, 2009, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 7, 2009, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the electronic filing of documents for capital cases in  
1-9 the court of criminal appeals.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 22, Government Code, is  
1-12 amended by adding Section 22.1095 to read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 22.1095. RULES ON ELECTRONIC FILING OF DOCUMENTS FOR  
1-14 CAPITAL CASES IN COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS. (a) Notwithstanding  
1-15 Subchapter I, Chapter 51, or any other law, the court of criminal  
1-16 appeals may adopt rules and procedures providing for and governing  
1-17 the electronic filing of briefs, pleadings, and other documents for  
1-18 capital cases in that court.

1-19 (b) In the adoption of rules and procedures under Subsection  
1-20 (a), the court of criminal appeals shall coordinate with the  
1-21 supreme court and the rules and procedures adopted by that court.

1-22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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