

1-1 By: Watson, et al. S.B. No. 780
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 11, 2009; March 4, 2009,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Jurisprudence;
1-4 March 19, 2009, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,
1-5 Nays 0; March 19, 2009, sent to printer.)

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

1-8 relating to disclosure of the individual vote of each member of the
1-9 Supreme Court of Texas on a petition for review.

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

1-11 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 22, Government Code, is
1-12 amended by adding Section 22.0071 to read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 22.0071. DISCLOSURE OF INDIVIDUAL VOTES OF MEMBERS.

1-14 In an order granting, refusing, dismissing, or denying a petition
1-15 for review, the supreme court shall state how each member voted on
1-16 the petition or application.

1-17 SECTION 2. Section 22.0071, Government Code, as added by
1-18 this Act, applies only to an order of the Supreme Court of Texas on a
1-19 petition for review issued on or after the effective date of this
1-20 Act.

1-21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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