

AN ACT

relating to the electronic submission of certain documents to the attorney general and the submission of certain documents by the attorney general; imposing certain fees.

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

SECTION 1. Section 402.006, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) The attorney general may charge and collect a nonrefundable administrative convenience fee for the electronic submission of a document to the attorney general. The fee authorized by this section is in addition to any other fee the attorney general may assess. The attorney general may adopt rules necessary to administer this subsection. This subsection expires September 1, 2015.

SECTION 2. Subchapter G, Chapter 552, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 552.309 to read as follows:

Sec. 552.309. TIMELINESS OF ACTION BY ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION. (a) When this subchapter requires a request, notice, or other document to be submitted or otherwise given to the attorney general within a specified period, the requirement is met in a timely fashion if the document is submitted to the attorney general through the attorney general's designated electronic filing system within that period.

(b) The attorney general may electronically transmit a

1 notice, decision, or other document. When this subchapter requires
2 the attorney general to deliver a notice, decision, or other
3 document within a specified period, the requirement is met in a
4 timely fashion if the document is electronically transmitted by the
5 attorney general within that period.

6 (c) This section does not affect the right of a person or
7 governmental body to submit information to the attorney general
8 under Section 552.308.

9 SECTION 3. The fee prescribed by Section 402.006(d),
10 Government Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a document
11 electronically submitted to the office of the attorney general on
12 or after the effective date of this Act.

13 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
17 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2866 was passed by the House on April 18, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 132, Nays 10, 4 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2866 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor