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H.B. No. 3343

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the disclosure of certain attorney's fees and expenses paid by the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 2210, Insurance Code, is amended by adding Section 2210.010 to read as follows:

Sec. 2210.010. DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN ATTORNEY'S FEES AND EXPENSES. A record maintained by the association concerning the payment of attorney's fees and expenses incurred for the services of an attorney who is not an employee of the state or the association is public information and is not excepted from required disclosure under Chapter 552, Government Code.

SECTION 2. Section 2210.010, Insurance Code, as added by this Act, applies only to the payment of attorney's fees and expenses by the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association on or after the effective date of this Act. The payment of attorney's fees and expenses by the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.