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S.B. No. 587

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to jurisdiction in certain proceedings brought by the attorney general with respect to charitable trusts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 123.005, Property Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 123.005. BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY: VENUE; JURISDICTION. (a) Venue in a proceeding brought by the attorney general alleging breach of a fiduciary duty by a charitable entity or a fiduciary or managerial agent of a charitable trust shall be a court of competent jurisdiction in Travis County or in the county where the defendant resides or has its principal office. To the extent of a conflict between this subsection and any provision of the Texas Probate Code providing for venue of a proceeding brought with respect to a charitable trust created by a will that has been admitted to probate, this subsection controls.

(b) A statutory probate court of Travis County has concurrent jurisdiction with any other court on which jurisdiction is conferred by Section 4A, Texas Probate Code, in a proceeding brought by the attorney general alleging breach of a fiduciary duty with respect to a charitable trust created by a will that has been admitted to probate.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a proceeding commenced on or after the effective date of this

1 Act. A proceeding commenced before the effective date of this Act  
2 is governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective  
3 date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that  
4 purpose.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
9 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.