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S.B. No. 791

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to electronic notification of certain state officials and agencies of certain rules and rulemaking filings.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 22.004, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The supreme court from time to time may promulgate a specific rule or rules of civil procedure, or an amendment or amendments to a specific rule or rules, to be effective at the time the supreme court deems expedient in the interest of a proper administration of justice. The rules and amendments to rules remain in effect unless and until disapproved by the legislature. The clerk of the supreme court shall file with the secretary of state the rules or amendments to rules promulgated by the supreme court under this subsection and shall mail a copy of those rules or amendments to rules to each registered member of the State Bar of Texas not later than the 60th day before the date on which they become effective. On receiving a written request from a member of the legislature, the [The] secretary of state shall provide the member with electronic notifications when the supreme court has promulgated rules or amendments to rules under this section ~~[report the rules or amendments to rules to the next regular session of the legislature by mailing a copy of the rules or amendments to rules to each elected member of the legislature on or before December 1~~

1 ~~immediately preceding the session]~~.

2 SECTION 2. Subsection (b), Section 2001.032, Government
3 Code, is amended to read as follows:

4 (b) On receiving a written request from the lieutenant
5 governor, a member of the legislature, or a legislative agency, the
6 secretary of state shall provide the requestor with electronic
7 notification of rulemaking filings by a state agency [~~A state~~
8 ~~agency shall deliver to the lieutenant governor and the speaker of~~
9 ~~the house of representatives a copy of the notice of a proposed rule~~
10 ~~when the agency files notice with the secretary of state]~~ under
11 Section 2001.023.

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