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S.B. No. 916

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to ad valorem tax lien transfers.

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

4 SECTION 1. Subsection (a-3), Section 32.06, Tax Code, is 5 amended to read as follows:

6 (a-3) If the property owner has executed an authorization 7 under Subsection (a-2)(2)(B) consenting to a transfer of the tax 8 liens for both the taxes on the property that are not delinquent and 9 taxes on the property that are delinquent, the <u>collector's</u> 10 <u>certification under Subsection (b) may be</u> [collector shall certify] 11 in one document [the transfer of the liens for all the taxes].

SECTION 2. Subsection (b), Section 33.445, Tax Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) In consideration of the payment by the transferee of those taxes and charges, each joined taxing unit shall transfer its tax lien to the transferee in the form and manner provided by Section 32.06(b) and enter its disclaimer in the suit. <u>The transfer</u> of a tax lien under this subsection does not require authorization by the property owner.

SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to the transfer of an ad valorem tax lien that occurs on or after the effective date of this Act. A transfer of an ad valorem tax lien that occurs before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the transfer occurred, and the former law

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1 is continued in effect for that purpose.

2 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 6 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.