Amend HB 3169 (Senate committee printing) on third reading by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_. Section 151.319(f), Tax Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (f) In this section, "newspaper" means a publication that is printed on newsprint, the average sales price of which for each copy over a 30-day period does not exceed \$3 [\$1.50], and that is printed and distributed at a daily, weekly, or other short interval for the dissemination of news of a general character and of a general interest. "Newspaper" does not include a magazine, handbill, circular, flyer, sales catalog, or similar printed item unless the printed item is printed for distribution as a part of a newspaper and is actually distributed as a part of a newspaper. For the purposes of this section, an advertisement is news of a general character and of a general interest. Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, "newspaper" includes:
- (1) a publication containing articles and essays of general interest by various writers and advertisements that is produced for the operator of a licensed and certified carrier of persons and distributed by the operator to its customers during their travel on the carrier; and
- (2) a publication for the dissemination of news of a general character and of a general interest that is printed on newsprint and distributed to the general public free of charge at a daily, weekly, or other short interval.