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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the notice provided by the chief appraiser of an appraisal district of the availability of agreement forms authorizing certain electronic communications.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1.085(h), Tax Code, is amended to read as follows:

(h) This subsection applies to the chief appraiser of an appraisal district only if the appraisal district is located in a county described by Subsection (g) or the chief appraiser has decided to authorize electronic communication under this section and the appraisal district has implemented a system that allows such communication. The chief appraiser shall provide notice regarding the availability of agreement forms authorizing electronic communication under this section. The chief appraiser shall provide the notice by:

(1) publishing a notice in a newspaper having general circulation in the district at least once on or before February 1 of each year that includes the words "Notice of Availability of Electronic Communications"; or

(2) delivering the agreement form on or before February 1, or as soon as practicable after that date, to each owner of property shown on the certified appraisal roll for the preceding tax year and on or before February 1 of each subsequent year, or as

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1 soon as practicable after that date, to each new owner of property
2 shown on the certified appraisal roll for the preceding tax year.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.