By: Canales H.B. No. 349

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 349:

By: Farrar C.S.H.B. No. 349

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to electronically filing any court document in a criminal
- 3 case in Hidalgo County.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 24.194, Government Code, is amended by
- 6 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 7 (d) A party in a criminal case before the court may
- 8 electronically file any required court document. The court shall
- 9 <u>implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a</u>
- 10 party in electronic filing.
- 11 SECTION 2. Section 24.195, Government Code, is amended by
- 12 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 13 <u>(d) A party in a criminal case before the court may</u>
- 14 electronically file any required court document. The court shall
- 15 implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a
- 16 party in electronic filing.
- 17 SECTION 3. Section 24.241, Government Code, is amended by
- 18 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 19 <u>(d) A party in a criminal case before the court may</u>
- 20 <u>electronically file any required court document.</u> The court shall
- 21 implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a
- 22 party in electronic filing.
- SECTION 4. Section 24.385, Government Code, is amended by
- 24 adding Subsection (b) to read as follows:

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- 1 (b) A party in a criminal case before the court may
- 2 electronically file any required court document. The court shall
- 3 implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a
- 4 party in electronic filing.
- 5 SECTION 5. Section 24.452, Government Code, is amended by
- 6 adding Subsection (b) to read as follows:
- 7 (b) A party in a criminal case before the court may
- 8 electronically file any required court document. The court shall
- 9 implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a
- 10 party in electronic filing.
- 11 SECTION 6. Section 24.478, Government Code, is amended by
- 12 adding Subsection (b) to read as follows:
- 13 (b) A party in a criminal case before the court may
- 14 electronically file any required court document. The court shall
- 15 implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a
- 16 party in electronic filing.
- 17 SECTION 7. Section 24.515, Government Code, is amended by
- 18 adding Subsection (b) to read as follows:
- 19 (b) A party in a criminal case before the court may
- 20 electronically file any required court document. The court shall
- 21 implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a
- 22 party in electronic filing.
- SECTION 8. Section 24.534, Government Code, is amended by
- 24 adding Subsection (b) to read as follows:
- 25 (b) A party in a criminal case before the court may
- 26 electronically file any required court document. The court shall
- 27 implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a

- 1 party in electronic filing.
- 2 SECTION 9. Section 24.543, Government Code, is amended by
- 3 adding Subsection (b) to read as follows:
- 4 (b) A party in a criminal case before the court may
- 5 electronically file any required court document. The court shall
- 6 implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a
- 7 party in electronic filing.
- 8 SECTION 10. Section 24.574, Government Code, is amended by
- 9 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 10 (c) A party in a criminal case before the court may
- 11 electronically file any required court document. The court shall
- 12 implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a
- 13 party in electronic filing.
- 14 SECTION 11. Section 24.593, Government Code, is amended by
- 15 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 16 <u>(c) A party in a criminal case before the court may</u>
- 17 electronically file any required court document. The court shall
- 18 implement the statewide electronic court filing system to assist a
- 19 party in electronic filing.
- 20 SECTION 12. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.