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H.B. No. 981

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the production of the index of the parties to all suits  
3 by the clerk of a district court.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 51.303, Government Code, is amended by  
6 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

7 (d) On application by any person, the clerk of a district  
8 court shall promptly produce the index of the parties to all suits  
9 for inspection or copying. If the index is in an electronic form,  
10 the clerk shall provide an electronic copy for a fee set in  
11 accordance with the rules prescribed by the attorney general that  
12 are applicable to the provision of electronic copies of public  
13 information.

14 SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 101, Government Code, is  
15 amended by adding Section 101.06111 to read as follows:

16 Sec. 101.06111. ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COURT FEES: GOVERNMENT  
17 CODE. The clerk of a district court shall collect a fee for  
18 providing an electronic copy of the index of the parties to all  
19 suits under Section 51.303, Government Code, in an amount set in  
20 accordance with the rules prescribed by the attorney general that  
21 are applicable to the provision of electronic copies of public  
22 information.

23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.