

AN ACT

relating to providing links in the online text of proposed legislation to other state laws referenced in that legislation.

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

SECTION 1. Section 323.0145, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) If the text of a document described by Subsection (a)(2)(C) or (D) includes a cross-reference to a section of state statute, the council to the extent feasible shall include in any electronic version of the document made available to the public through the Internet an electronic link or other method by which a person reading the document may automatically access the text of the referenced section.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a bill or joint resolution filed, or an amendment or substitute adopted by a legislative committee, on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect November 1, 2014.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1271 was passed by the House on April 11, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1271 was passed by the Senate on May 9, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor