

AN ACT

relating to certain notices, reports, and descriptions provided by
or filed with court and county clerks.

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

SECTION 1. Article 46C.003, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
amended to read as follows:

Art. 46C.003. VICTIM NOTIFICATION OF RELEASE. If the court
issues an order that requires the release of an acquitted person on
discharge or on a regimen of outpatient care, the clerk of the court
issuing the order, using the information provided on any victim
impact statement received by the court under Article 56.03 or other
information made available to the court, shall notify the victim or
the victim's guardian or close relative of the release.
Notwithstanding Article 56.03(f), the clerk of the court may
inspect a victim impact statement for the purpose of notification
under this article. On request, a victim assistance coordinator may
provide the clerk of the court with information or other assistance
necessary for the clerk to comply with this article.

SECTION 2. Section 58.110(c), Family Code, is amended to
read as follows:

(c) The clerk of the court exercising jurisdiction over a
juvenile offender's case shall report the disposition of the case
to the department. ~~[A clerk of the court who violates this
subsection commits an offense. An offense under this subsection is~~

~~a Class C misdemeanor.]~~

SECTION 3. Section 85.042(a-1), Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a-1) This subsection applies only if the respondent, at the time of issuance of an original or modified protective order under this subtitle, is a member of the state military forces or is serving in the armed forces of the United States in an active-duty status and the applicant or the applicant's attorney provides to the clerk of the court the mailing address of the staff judge advocate or provost marshal, as applicable. In addition to complying with Subsection (a), the clerk of the court shall also provide a copy of the protective order and the information described by that subsection to the staff judge advocate at Joint Force Headquarters or the provost marshal of the military installation to which the respondent is assigned with the intent that the commanding officer will be notified, as applicable.

SECTION 4. Section 402.010, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a) and (c) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a) In an action in which a party to the litigation files a petition, motion, or other pleading challenging the constitutionality of a statute of this state, the party shall file the form required by Subsection (a-1). The court shall, if the attorney general is not a party to or counsel involved in the litigation, serve notice of the constitutional challenge ~~[question]~~ and a copy of the petition, motion, or other pleading that raises the challenge on the attorney general either by

1 certified or registered mail or electronically to an e-mail address
2 designated by the attorney general for the purposes of this
3 section[~~. Notice under this section must identify the statute in~~
4 ~~question, state the basis for the challenge, and specify the~~
5 ~~petition, motion, or other pleading that raises the challenge~~].

6 (a-1) The Office of Court Administration of the Texas
7 Judicial System shall adopt the form that a party challenging the
8 constitutionality of a statute of this state must file with the
9 court in which the action is pending indicating which pleading
10 should be served on the attorney general in accordance with this
11 section.

12 (c) A party's failure to file as required by Subsection (a)
13 or a court's failure to [file or] serve notice as required by
14 Subsection (a) does not deprive the court of jurisdiction or
15 forfeit an otherwise timely filed claim or defense based on the
16 challenge to the constitutionality of a statute of this state.

17 SECTION 5. Sections 363.064(b) and (c), Health and Safety
18 Code, are amended to read as follows:

19 (b) If the boundaries of a municipal solid waste unit that
20 is no longer operating are known to be wholly on an identifiable
21 tract, the council of governments for the area in which the former
22 landfill unit is located shall notify the owner of land that
23 overlays the former landfill unit of the former use of the land and
24 shall notify the county clerk of the county or counties in which the
25 former landfill unit is located of the former use. The notice to the
26 county clerk must include:

27 (1) a description of the exact boundaries of the

1 former landfill unit or, if the exact boundaries are not known, the
2 best approximation of each unit's boundaries;

3 (2) a legal description of the parcel or parcels of
4 land in which the former landfill unit is located;

5 (3) notice of the former landfill unit's former use;
6 and

7 (4) notice of the restrictions on the land imposed by
8 this subchapter. ~~[The notice requirements of this subsection do not~~
9 ~~apply if the exact boundaries of a former landfill unit are not~~
10 ~~known.]~~

11 (c) The county clerk shall record the descriptions and
12 notices submitted by a council of governments under Subsection (b).
13 The county clerk may prescribe the method of arranging and indexing
14 the descriptions and notices ~~[on the deed records of land formerly~~
15 ~~used as a municipal solid waste landfill a description of the exact~~
16 ~~boundaries of the former landfill unit, or, if the exact boundaries~~
17 ~~are not known, the best approximation of each unit's boundaries,~~
18 ~~together with a legal description of the parcel or parcels of land~~
19 ~~in which the former landfill unit is located, notice of its former~~
20 ~~use, and notice of the restrictions on the development or lease of~~
21 ~~the land imposed by this subchapter].~~ The county clerk shall make
22 the descriptions and notices ~~[records]~~ available for public
23 inspection.

24 SECTION 6. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
25 an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An
26 offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed
27 by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the

1 former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of
2 this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of
3 this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

4 SECTION 7. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
5 a notice, report, description, petition, motion, or other pleading
6 provided or filed on or after the effective date of this Act.

7 SECTION 8. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

H.B. No. 1435

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1435 was passed by the House on April 25, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 136, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1435 on May 24, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1435 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor