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H.B. No. 2177

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the availability on the Texas Ethics Commission's
3 website of personal financial statements filed by public officials.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 572.032(a), Government Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 (a) Financial statements filed under this subchapter are
8 public records. The commission shall maintain the statements in
9 separate alphabetical files and in a manner that is accessible to
10 the public during regular office hours and make the statements
11 available to the public on the commission's website.

12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
16 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.