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H.B. No. 3334

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the recording of testimony before a grand jury.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Article 20.012, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

Art. 20.012. RECORDING OF GRAND JURY ~~[CERTAIN]~~ TESTIMONY.

SECTION 2. Article 20.012(a), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Questions propounded by the grand jury or the attorney representing the state to a witness before the grand jury, including a witness who is the person accused or suspected, and the testimony of that witness ~~[person]~~ to the grand jury shall be recorded either by a stenographer or by use of an electronic device capable of recording sound.

SECTION 3. This Act applies only to a grand jury whose term commences on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.