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H.B. No. 3820

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to an unsworn declaration made by an employee of a state  
3 agency or political subdivision in the performance of the  
4 employee's job duties.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 132.001, Civil Practice and Remedies  
7 Code, is amended by amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection  
8 (f) to read as follows:

9 (d) Except as provided by Subsections [~~Subsection~~] (e) and  
10 (f), an unsworn declaration made under this section must include a  
11 jurat in substantially the following form:

12 "My name is \_\_\_\_\_, my  
13 (First) (Middle) (Last)  
14 date of birth is \_\_\_\_\_, and my address is  
15 \_\_\_\_\_,  
16 (Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)  
17 and \_\_\_\_\_. I declare under penalty of  
18 (Country)  
19 perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

20 Executed in \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of \_\_\_\_\_, on  
21 the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
22 (Month) (Year)

23 \_\_\_\_\_  
24 Declarant"

1        (f) An unsworn declaration made under this section by an  
2 employee of a state agency or a political subdivision in the  
3 performance of the employee's job duties, must include a jurat in  
4 substantially the following form:

5                "My name is \_\_\_\_\_,

6                                (First)            (Middle)            (Last)

7        and I am an employee of the following governmental  
8 agency: \_\_\_\_\_.    I am executing this  
9 declaration as part of my assigned duties and  
10 responsibilities. I declare under penalty of perjury  
11 that the foregoing is true and correct.

12                Executed in \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of

13 \_\_\_\_\_, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

14    (Month)            (Year)

15    \_\_\_\_\_  
16    Declarant"

17        SECTION 2. Section 132.001(f), Civil Practice and Remedies  
18 Code, as added by this Act, applies only to an unsworn declaration  
19 executed on or after the effective date of this Act. An unsworn  
20 declaration executed before the effective date of this Act is  
21 governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date  
22 of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

23        SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.