1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to an application filed with a county commissioners court
- 3 to revise a subdivision plat; authorizing a fee.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 232.009, Local Government Code, is
- 6 amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsections (c-1) and
- 7 (g) to read as follows:
- 8 (c) Except as provided by Subsection (c-1), after [After]
- 9 the application is filed with the commissioners court, the court
- 10 shall publish a notice of the application in a newspaper of general
- 11 circulation in the county. The notice must include a statement of
- 12 the time and place at which the court will meet to consider the
- 13 application and to hear protests to the revision of the plat. The
- 14 notice must be published at least three times during the period that
- 15 begins on the 30th day and ends on the seventh day before the date of
- 16 the meeting. Except as provided by Subsection (f), if all or part
- 17 of the subdivided tract has been sold to nondeveloper owners, the
- 18 court shall also give notice to each of those owners by certified or
- 19 registered mail, return receipt requested, at the owner's address
- 20 in the subdivided tract.
- 21 <u>(c-1)</u> If the commissioners court determines that the
- 22 revision to the subdivision plat does not affect a public interest
- 23 or public property of any type, including, but not limited to, a
- 24 park, school, or road, the notice requirements under Subsection (c)

- 1 do not apply to the application and the commissioners court shall:
- 2 (1) provide written notice of the application to the
- 3 owners of the lots that are within 200 feet of the subdivision plat
- 4 to be revised, as indicated in the most recent records of the
- 5 central appraisal district of the county in which the lots are
- 6 located; and
- 7 (2) if the county maintains an Internet website, post
- 8 notice of the application continuously on the website for at least
- 9 30 days preceding the date of the meeting to consider the
- 10 application until the day after the meeting.
- 11 (g) The commissioners court may impose a fee for filing an
- 12 application under this section. The amount of the fee must be based
- 13 on the cost of processing the application, including publishing the
- 14 notices required under Subsection (c) or (c-1).
- 15 SECTION 2. Section 232.041, Local Government Code, is
- 16 amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsections (b-1) and
- 17 (e) to read as follows:
- (b) Except as provided by Subsection (b-1), after [After]
- 19 the application is filed with the commissioners court, the court
- 20 shall publish a notice of the application in a newspaper of general
- 21 circulation in the county. The notice must include a statement of
- 22 the time and place at which the court will meet to consider the
- 23 application and to hear protests to the revision of the plat. The
- 24 notice must be published at least three times during the period that
- 25 begins on the 30th day and ends on the seventh day before the date of
- 26 the meeting. If all or part of the subdivided tract has been sold to
- 27 nondeveloper owners, the court shall also give notice to each of

- 1 those owners by certified or registered mail, return receipt
- 2 requested, at the owner's address in the subdivided tract.
- 3 (b-1) If the commissioners court determines that the
- 4 revision to the subdivision plat does not affect a public interest
- 5 or public property of any type, including, but not limited to, a
- 6 park, school, or road, the notice requirements under Subsection (b)
- 7 do not apply to the application and the commissioners court shall:
- 8 <u>(1) provide written notice of the application to the</u>
- 9 owners of the lots that are within 200 feet of the subdivision plat
- 10 to be revised, as indicated in the most recent records of the
- 11 central appraisal district of the county in which the lots are
- 12 <u>located; and</u>
- 13 (2) if the county maintains an Internet website, post
- 14 <u>notice of the application continuously on the website for at least</u>
- 15 30 days preceding the date of the meeting to consider the
- 16 application until the day after the meeting.
- 17 <u>(e)</u> The commissioners court may impose a fee for filing an
- 18 application under this section. The amount of the fee must be based
- 19 on the cost of processing the application, including publishing the
- 20 notices required under Subsection (b) or (b-1).
- 21 SECTION 3. Sections 232.009 and 232.041, Local Government
- 22 Code, as amended by this Act, apply only to an application filed on
- 23 or after the effective date of this Act.
- 24 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 25 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 26 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 27 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

Act takes effect September 1, 2013.
President of the Senate Speaker of the House
I hereby certify that S.B. No. 552 passed the Senate on
April 9, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.
Secretary of the Senate
I hereby certify that S.B. No. 552 passed the House on
May 17, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 131, Nays 3, two
present not voting.
Chief Clerk of the House
Approved:
Date
Date
Governor