

AN ACT

relating to the filing by electronic mail of financial disclosures by certain county officers, county employees, or candidates for county office.

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

SECTION 1. Section 159.003, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) The statement may be filed with the county clerk by electronic mail. The county clerk may prescribe the manner and format for filing by electronic mail.

SECTION 2. Subsection (b), Section 159.005, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The county clerk shall mail or, at the request of the person required to file under this subchapter, send by electronic mail, [~~two copies of~~] the form to each person required to file under this subchapter within the time prescribed by Section 572.030(c), Government Code.

SECTION 3. Section 159.034, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) A report filed under this subchapter may be filed by electronic mail. The authority with whom the report is filed may prescribe the manner and format for filing by electronic mail.

SECTION 4. Section 159.052, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

1 (c) A financial statement filed with the county clerk may be
2 filed by electronic mail. The county clerk may prescribe the manner
3 and format for filing by electronic mail under this subsection.

4 SECTION 5. Subsection (b), Section 159.054, Local
5 Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

6 (b) The county clerk shall make paper and electronic copies
7 of the form available to each person required to file under this
8 subchapter within the time prescribed by Section 572.030(c),
9 Government Code.

10 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 692 passed the Senate on March 21, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 25, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 692 passed the House, with amendment, on May 22, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 148, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor