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H.B. No. 1169

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the confidentiality of certain information in the possession of an appraisal district.

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

SECTION 1. Section 22.27, Tax Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) to read as follows:

(a) Rendition statements [~~, real and personal property reports, attachments to those statements and reports~~], and [~~other information the owner of property provides to the appraisal office in connection with the appraisal of the property, including~~] income and expense information related to a property filed with an appraisal office are confidential and not open to public inspection. Other information the owner of property provides to the appraisal office in connection with the appraisal of the property, and information voluntarily disclosed to [~~an appraisal office or~~] the comptroller about real or personal property sales prices after a promise it will be held confidential, are confidential and not open to public inspection. The rendition statements and income and expense information [~~reports and the information they contain~~] about specific real or personal property or a specific real or personal property owner, and information voluntarily disclosed to an appraisal office [~~about real or personal property sales prices~~] after a promise it will be held confidential may not be disclosed to anyone other than an employee of the appraisal office who appraises

1 property except as authorized by Subsection (b) of this section.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.