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H.B. No. 1516

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the bill of costs provided to a defendant before the costs are payable.

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

SECTION 1. Article 103.001, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

Art. 103.001. COSTS PAYABLE. A cost is not payable by the person charged with the cost until a written bill containing the items of cost is:

(1) produced;

(2) [~~or is ready to be produced, containing the items of cost,~~] signed by the officer who charged the cost or the officer who is entitled to receive payment for the cost; and

(3) provided to the person charged with the cost.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a cost incurred on or after the effective date of this Act. A cost incurred before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the cost was incurred, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.