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H.B. No. 3682

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the resolution of violations by the Texas Ethics Commission.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 571, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 571.1214 to read as follows:

Sec. 571.1214. RESOLUTION OF VIOLATIONS. (a) The commission staff and the commission shall resolve an inquiry or motion in the form corresponding to the most serious category of violation alleged in the inquiry or motion as provided in this section.

(b) An inquiry or motion alleging a technical, clerical, or de minimis violation must be resolved in a letter of acknowledgment.

(c) An inquiry or motion alleging an administrative or filing violation must be resolved in a notice of administrative or filing error.

(d) An inquiry or motion alleging a more serious violation must be resolved in a notice of violation.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.