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H.B. No. 3931

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of the justice court technology fund to convert existing paper documents to electronic data.

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

SECTION 1. Article 102.0173, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (d-1) to read as follows:

(d) A fund designated by this article may be used as provided by Subsection (d-1) or [only] to finance:

(1) the cost of continuing education and training for justice court judges and clerks regarding technological enhancements for justice courts; and

(2) the purchase and maintenance of technological enhancements for a justice court, including:

- (A) computer systems;
- (B) computer networks;
- (C) computer hardware;
- (D) computer software;
- (E) imaging systems;
- (F) electronic kiosks;
- (G) electronic ticket writers; and
- (H) docket management systems.

(d-1) Each fiscal year the commissioners court may use 15 percent of the justice court technology fund to pay the salary and

1 overtime wages of an employee who is employed by the county to
2 convert existing paper documents to electronic format.

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