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S.B. No. 306

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the information included in the annual report of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct.

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

SECTION 1. Section 33.005(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The report must include:

(1) an explanation of the role of the commission;

(2) annual statistical information for the preceding fiscal year, including:

(A) the number of complaints received by the commission alleging judicial misconduct or disability;

(B) the number of complaints dismissed without commission action other than investigation because the evidence did not support the allegation or appearance of judicial misconduct or disability;

(C) the number of complaints dismissed without commission action other than investigation because the facts alleged did not constitute judicial misconduct or disability;

(D) the number of complaints dismissed without commission action other than investigation because the allegation or appearance of judicial misconduct or disability was determined to be unfounded or frivolous;

(E) the number of each type of judicial

1 misconduct or disability that resulted in sanction or censure of a  
2 judge; and

3                   (F) examples of improper judicial conduct;

4                   (3) an explanation of the commission's processes; and

5                   (4) changes the commission considers necessary in its  
6 rules or the applicable statutes or constitutional provisions.

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