- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to the oath of a person admitted to practice law in the
- 3 State of Texas.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 82.037(a), Government Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (a) Each person admitted to practice law shall, before
- 8 receiving a license, take an oath that the person will:
- 9 (1) support the constitutions of the United States and
- 10 this state;
- 11 (2) honestly demean oneself [himself] in the practice
- 12 of law; [and]
- 13 (3) discharge the attorney's duty to the attorney's
- 14 [his] client to the best of the attorney's ability; and
- 15 (4) conduct oneself with integrity and civility in
- 16 dealing and communicating with the court and all parties.
- 17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 21 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

| President of the Senate |            |             |        |       |     | Speaker of the House |          |        |         |     |  |
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|                         | I hereby   | y certify   | that   | S.B.  | No. | 534                  | passed   | the    | Senate  | on  |  |
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|                         | I hereby   | y certify   | that   | S.B.  | No. | 534                  | passed   | the    | House   | on  |  |
| April                   | 30, 2015   | , by the    | foll   | owing | vot | :e:                  | Yeas 139 | 9, Na  | ays 0,  | one |  |
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| Governor                |            |             |        |       |     |                      |          |        |         |     |  |