

Amend CSSB 302 (senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In the recital to SECTION 3 of the bill, adding Section 81.022(a-2), Government Code (page 2, line 4), strike "Subsection (a-2)" and substitute "Subsections (a-2), (a-3), and (a-4)".

(2) In SECTION 3 of the bill, strike added Section 81.022(a-2), Government Code (page 2, lines 5 through 9), and substitute the following:

(a-2) Any change in a membership fee or other fee for state bar members must be:

(1) clearly described and included in the proposed budget; and

(2) considered by the supreme court in the state bar budget deliberations.

(a-3) Except as provided by Subsection (a-4), an increase in a membership fee or other fee for state bar members may not take effect until the supreme court:

(1) distributes the proposed fee change in ballot form to each member of the state bar and orders a vote;

(2) counts the returned ballots following the 30th day after the date the ballots are distributed; and

(3) promulgates the proposed fee, effective immediately, only on approval of the fee increase by a majority of the state bar members who voted on the increase.

(a-4) The board of directors may increase a membership fee or other fee for state bar members, without distributing the proposed fee to the state bar members for a vote, on or after the sixth anniversary of the preceding fee increase provided the fee increase amount is not more than 10 percent of the previous fee amount.