By: Faircloth H.B. No. 1784

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1784:

By: Elkins C.S.H.B. No. 1784

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the period during which an action alleging a violation
- 3 of the open meetings law may be brought.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 551, Government Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Section 551.1425 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 551.1425. LIMITATIONS PERIOD. A person must bring a
- 8 suit on an action to enforce Section 551.141 or an action under
- 9 <u>Section 551.142</u> before the second anniversary of the date the
- 10 alleged violation occurred or the second anniversary of the date
- 11 the alleged violation should reasonably have been discovered.
- 12 SECTION 2. Section 551.1425, Government Code, as added by
- 13 this Act, applies only to a violation that occurs on or after the
- 14 effective date of this Act. A violation that occurs before the
- 15 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the
- 16 date the violation occurred, and the former law is continued in
- 17 effect for that purpose.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.