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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to requirements for providing information regarding the issuance of certain proposed bonds by certain political 3 subdivisions. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 45, Education Code, is 6 7 amended by adding Section 45.114 to read as follows: Sec. 45.114. DISCLOSURE OF SPECIFIC BOND INFORMATION IN 8 PUBLICLY DISSEMINATED INFORMATION REQUIRED. (a) This section 9 applies only to school district bonds that may only be issued if 10 approved as provided by law by the qualified voters of the district 11 voting at an election held for that purpose. 12 (b) A school district shall include in any publicly 13 14 disseminated materials relating to the proposed issuance of bonds described by Subsection (a), including any information provided on 15 16 the district's Internet website: (1) the purpose for which the bonds are proposed; 17 18 (2) the amount of the bonds; (3) the likely rate of interest on the bonds as 19 determined by the district; and 20 21 (4) the maximum estimated cost to repay the bonds that would be authorized by the proposed issuance, including the 22 23 principal and interest at the likely interest rate determined under 24 Subdivision (3).

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SECTION 2. Chapter 140, Local Government Code, is amended
by adding Section 140.013 to read as follows:
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3 <u>Sec. 140.013. DISCLOSURE OF SPECIFIC BOND INFORMATION IN</u> 4 <u>PUBLICLY DISSEMINATED INFORMATION REQUIRED. (a) This section</u> 5 <u>applies only to municipal or county bonds that may only be issued if</u> 6 <u>approved as provided by law by the qualified voters of the</u> 7 <u>municipality or county voting at an election held for that purpose.</u>

8 (b) A municipality or county shall include in any publicly 9 disseminated materials relating to the proposed issuance of bonds 10 described by Subsection (a), including any information provided on 11 the Internet website of the municipality or county:

| 12 | (1) the purpose for which the bonds are proposed;                   |
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| 13 | (2) the amount of the bonds;  |
| 14 | (3) the likely rate of interest on the bonds as                     |
| 15 | determined by the municipality or county; and                       |
| 16 | (4) the maximum estimated cost to repay the bonds that              |
| 17 | would be authorized by the proposed issuance, including the         |
| 18 | principal and interest at the likely interest rate determined under |
| 19 | Subdivision (3).  |
| 20 | SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.                 |