By: Longoria

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to the county courts at law in Hidalgo County. 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 4 SECTION 1. Section 25.1101(a), Government Code, is amended 5 to read as follows: 6 (a) Hidalgo County has the following statutory county 7 courts: County Court at Law No. 1 of Hidalgo County; 8 (1) County Court at Law No. 2 of Hidalgo County; 9 (2) County Court at Law No. 4 of Hidalgo County; 10 (3) County Court at Law No. 5 of Hidalgo County; (4) 11 12 (5) County Court at Law No. 6 of Hidalgo County; (6) County Court at Law No. 7 of Hidalgo County; [and] 13 14 (7) County Court at Law No. 8 of Hidalgo County; and (8) County Court at Law No. 9 of Hidalgo County. 15 SECTION 2. Section 25.1102(a), Government Code, is amended 16 to read as follows: 17 18 In addition to the jurisdiction provided by Section (a) 25.0003 and other law, a county court at law in Hidalgo County has 19 20 concurrent jurisdiction with the district court in: 21 (1)family law cases and proceedings; and 22 (2) civil cases in which the matter in controversy does not exceed \$1 million [\$750,000], excluding interest, 23 statutory or punitive damages and penalties, and attorney's fees 24

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1 and costs, as alleged on the page of the petition.

2 SECTION 3. Notwithstanding Section 25.1101(a), Government 3 Code, as amended by this Act, the County Court at Law No. 9 of 4 Hidalgo County is created January 1, 2019.

5 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.