

1-1 By: West S.B. No. 492
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 17, 2017; February 6, 2017,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Finance;
 1-4 March 6, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 13,
 1-5 Nays 0, 1 present not voting; March 6, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Nelson	X			
1-8 Hinojosa	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Birdwell	X			
1-11 Hancock	X			
1-12 Huffman	X			
1-13 Kolthorst	X			
1-14 Nichols	X			
1-15 Schwertner	X			
1-16 Seliger	X			
1-17 Taylor of Galveston	X			
1-18 Uresti				X
1-19 Watson	X			
1-20 West	X			
1-21 Whitmire			X	

1-23 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-24 AN ACT

1-25 relating to procedures of a county tax assessor-collector for
 1-26 collection of dishonored checks and invoices; authorizing a fee.

1-27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-28 SECTION 1. Section 130.006, Local Government Code, is
 1-29 amended to read as follows:

1-30 Sec. 130.006. PROCEDURES FOR COLLECTION OF DISHONORED
 1-31 CHECKS AND INVOICES. (a) A county tax assessor-collector may
 1-32 establish procedures for the collection of dishonored checks and
 1-33 credit card invoices. The procedures may include:

1-34 (1) official notification to the maker that the check
 1-35 or invoice has not been honored and that the receipt, registration,
 1-36 certificate, or other instrument issued on the receipt of the check
 1-37 or invoice is not valid until payment of the fee or tax is made;

1-38 (2) notification of the sheriff or other law
 1-39 enforcement officers that a check or credit card invoice has not
 1-40 been honored and that the receipt, registration, certificate, or
 1-41 other instrument held by the maker is not valid; ~~and~~

1-42 (3) notification to the Texas Department of Motor
 1-43 Vehicles, the comptroller of public accounts, or the Department of
 1-44 Public Safety that the receipt, registration, certificate, or other
 1-45 instrument held by the maker is not valid; and

1-46 (4) referral of a dishonored check or credit card
 1-47 invoice to a private collection agency.

1-48 (b) If the county tax assessor-collector refers a
 1-49 dishonored check or credit card invoice to a private collection
 1-50 agency under Subsection (a)(4), the private collection agency may
 1-51 charge a fee to the person responsible for the check or invoice in
 1-52 an amount equal to any amount authorized for a returned check under
 1-53 Section 118.011.

1-54 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-55 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-56 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-57 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-58 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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