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S.B. No. 526

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the abolishment of certain advisory committees and
3 other entities created to assist or advise state agencies or
4 officers.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 402.033(b), Government Code, is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (b) If a person determines or reasonably suspects that
9 fraudulent activity has been committed or is about to be committed,
10 the person shall report the information to an authorized
11 governmental agency. ~~[If a person reports the information to the
12 attorney general, the attorney general shall notify each agency
13 with representation on the residential mortgage fraud task force
14 under Section 402.032.]~~ If a financial institution or person
15 voluntarily or pursuant to this section reports fraudulent activity
16 to an authorized governmental agency, the financial institution or
17 person may not notify any person involved in the fraudulent
18 activity that the fraudulent activity has been reported, and the
19 authorized governmental agency who has any knowledge that such
20 report was made shall not disclose to any person involved in the
21 fraudulent activity that the fraudulent activity has been reported.
22 Any financial institution or person that makes a voluntary report
23 of any possible violation of law or regulation to an authorized
24 governmental agency shall not be liable to any person under any law

1 or regulation of the state or the United States for such report.

2 SECTION 2. The following provisions are repealed:

- 3 (1) Section 231.013, Family Code;
- 4 (2) Section 402.032, Government Code;
- 5 (3) Sections 195.002(d) and 195.008, Local Government
6 Code; and
- 7 (4) Subchapter E, Chapter 110, Occupations Code.

8 SECTION 3. On the effective date of this Act, the following
9 are abolished:

- 10 (1) the information resources steering committee;
- 11 (2) the residential mortgage fraud task force;
- 12 (3) the Electronic Recording Advisory Committee; and
- 13 (4) the interagency advisory committee to the Council
14 on Sex Offender Treatment.

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