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S.B. No. 709

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the applicability of the electronic filing requirement  
3 for personal financial statements to certain appointed officers.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 572.0291, Government Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 572.0291. ELECTRONIC FILING REQUIRED. (a) A  
8 financial statement filed with the commission must be filed by  
9 computer diskette, modem, or other means of electronic transfer,  
10 using computer software provided by the commission or computer  
11 software that meets commission specifications for a standard file  
12 format.

13 (b) Subsection (a) does not apply to an appointed officer  
14 appointed by the governor.

15 SECTION 2. The change in law to Section 572.0291,  
16 Government Code, made by this Act applies to a financial statement  
17 under Chapter 572, Government Code, that is filed on or after the  
18 effective date of this Act, without regard to the date of the  
19 deadline for filing the report.

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
24 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.