

House Bill 214
Senate Amendments
Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 22, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 22.303 to read as follows:

Sec. 22.303. RECORDING OF CERTAIN COURT PROCEEDINGS. If appropriated funds or donations are available in the amount necessary to cover the cost, the supreme court and the court of criminal appeals shall make a video recording or other electronic visual and audio recording of each oral argument and public meeting of the court and post the recording on the court's Internet website.

No equivalent provision.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

SENATE VERSION (CS)

SECTION 1. Same as House version.

SECTION 2. The Texas Supreme Court and the Court of Criminal Appeals are required to implement this Act only if the legislature appropriates money specifically for that purpose. If the legislature does not appropriate money specifically for that purpose, the Texas Supreme Court and the Court of Criminal Appeals may, but are not required to, implement this Act using other appropriations available for the purpose.

SECTION 3. Same as House version.

CONFERENCE