

By: Bell of Montgomery

H.B. No. 1060

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the authority of a property owner to request that notice  
3 of a protest hearing before the appraisal review board be delivered  
4 by certified mail or electronic mail.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 1.085, Tax Code, is amended by adding  
7 Subsection (m) to read as follows:

8 (m) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a  
9 property owner need not enter into an agreement under this section  
10 to be entitled to electronic delivery of a notice of a protest  
11 hearing under Section 41.46.

12 SECTION 2. Section 41.46, Tax Code, is amended by adding  
13 Subsections (d) and (e) to read as follows:

14 (d) The appraisal review board shall deliver notice of the  
15 hearing by certified mail if, in the notice of protest under Section  
16 41.44, the property owner requests delivery by certified mail. The  
17 board may require the property owner to pay the cost of postage  
18 under this subsection.

19 (e) Notwithstanding Section 1.085, the appraisal review  
20 board shall deliver notice of the hearing by electronic mail if, in  
21 the notice of protest under Section 41.44, the property owner  
22 requests delivery by electronic mail and provides a valid  
23 electronic mail address.

24 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.