By:  Slaton H.B. No. 106

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the payment by warrant of salaries of members of the house of representatives and their staffs when a call of the house of representatives has been ordered.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter F, Chapter 659, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 659.086 to read as follows:

Sec. 659.086.  SALARY PAYMENT BY WARRANT WHEN CALL OF HOUSE HAS BEEN ORDERED. Notwithstanding Section 403.016 or 659.084 or any other law, if a call of the house of representatives has been ordered to secure and maintain a quorum, the comptroller may only pay the net state salary of a member of the house of representatives or an employee of a member of the house of representatives by warrant. A warrant described by this section issued to pay a member or the member’s employee may only be delivered to the member:

(1)  in person after government-issued photo identification has been provided; and

(2)  in the office of the speaker of the house of representatives.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the legislative session.