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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to permitting the Texas Ethics Commission to provide

- 3 seminars and charge an attendance fee for those seminars.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 571.071, Government Code, is amended by
- 6 amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d) to read as
- 7 follows:
- 8 (c) The commission may provide a seminar for persons
- 9 required to register under Chapter 305 that addresses issues
- 10 involving lobbying, political contributions and expenditures, and
- 11 other issues as determined by the commission. The commission may
- 12 charge a fee for attending the seminar in an amount necessary to
- 13 cover the costs associated with the seminar, including the cost of
- 14 providing food or nonalcoholic beverages to attendees.
- 15 <u>(d)</u> The commission may provide a seminar that addresses the
- 16 laws administered and enforced by the commission and any other
- 17 relevant laws, as determined by the commission. The commission may
- 18 charge a fee for attending the seminar in an amount necessary to
- 19 cover the costs associated with the seminar, including the cost of
- 20 providing food or nonalcoholic beverages to attendees.
- 21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.