

Amend CSHB 3474 (senate committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to ARTICLE 1 of the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of ARTICLE 1 of the bill accordingly:

SECTION 1.____. (a) Subchapter C, Chapter 72, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 72.040 to read as follows:

Sec. 72.040. WORK ACTIVITY REPORT FOR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE.

(a) Each district court judge shall submit to the presiding judge of the administrative judicial region in which the judge's court sits not later than the 20th day of each month a report for the preceding month in which the judge attests to:

(1) the number of hours the judge worked, including the number of hours the judge:

(A) performed cases-related duties;

(B) performed administrative tasks;

(C) completed continuing education; and

(D) performed other work-related activities; and

(2) the number of hours the judge presided over the judge's court at the courthouse or another court facility.

(b) The presiding judge of each administrative judicial region shall submit the information contained in the reports under Subsection (a) to the office in the manner prescribed by the supreme court.

(c) The office shall provide administrative support for the submission and collection of reports under Subsection (a), including providing a system for electronic submission of the reports.

(d) Not later than December 1 of each year, the office shall prepare and submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and each chairperson of a legislative standing committee with jurisdiction over the judiciary a written report compiling the information submitted under Subsection (b).

(e) The supreme court shall adopt rules establishing guidelines and providing instructions regarding the reporting of information under Subsection (a) and prescribe a form for the report.

(b) As soon as practicable after September 1, 2023, the Texas Supreme Court shall adopt rules and prescribe a form for purposes of Section 72.040, Government Code, as added by this article.