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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to allowing a governmental body to combine multiple requests submitted by separate individuals on behalf of an organization for purposes of computing charges under the public information law.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 552.261(e), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(e)  Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, all requests received in one calendar day from an individual may be treated as a single request for purposes of calculating costs under this chapter. A governmental body may [~~not~~] combine multiple requests under this subsection from separate individuals who submit requests on behalf of an organization.

SECTION 2.  The changes in law made by this Act to Section 552.261(e), Government Code, apply only to a request for information that is received by a governmental body or an officer or employee of a governmental body on or after the effective date of this Act. A request for information that was received before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the request was received, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.