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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the authority of a county to require photo identification to file certain documents with the county clerk.

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

SECTION 1.  The heading to Section 191.010, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 191.010.  AUTHORITY TO REQUIRE PHOTO IDENTIFICATION TO FILE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS [~~IN CERTAIN COUNTIES~~].

SECTION 2.  Section 191.010(b), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  A county clerk [~~in a county with a population of 800,000 or more~~] may require a person presenting a document in person for filing in the real property records of the county to present a photo identification to the clerk.  The clerk may copy the photo identification or record information from the photo identification.  The clerk may not charge a person a fee to copy or record the information from a photo identification.

SECTION 3.  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 September 1, 2023.