By:  Zaffirini S.B. No. 1730

(In the Senate - Filed March 7, 2023; March 16, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government; April 6, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; April 6, 2023, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                 Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Bettencourt       X

Springer                    X

Eckhardt          X

Gutierrez                   X

Hall              X

Nichols           X

Parker            X

Paxton            X

West              X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the processing of United States passport applications by a district court clerk; authorizing fees.

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

SECTION 1.  Sections 51.3031(a) and (b), Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a)  A district clerk may perform all duties necessary to process an application for a United States passport, including taking passport photographs and selling money orders to applicants for payment purposes.

(b)  To recover the costs of taking passport photographs and selling money orders, a district clerk may collect [~~a~~] reasonable fees for the provided services [~~fee~~] in amounts [~~an amount~~] set by the commissioners court of the county in which the district clerk's office is located.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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