By: Leo Wilson H.B. No. 348

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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- 2 relating to the database of state expenditures maintained by the 3 comptroller of public accounts.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 403.024(b), Government Code, is amended 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (b) The comptroller shall establish and post on the Internet
- 8 a database of state expenditures, including contracts and grants,
- 9 that is electronically searchable by the public except as provided
- 10 by Subsection (d). The comptroller shall refer to the database as
- 11 the Texas Checkbook and shall develop and maintain an Internet
- 12 website separate from the comptroller's Internet website that is
- 13 specifically for the purpose of posting the database. The address
- 14 of the Internet website must include the term Texas Checkbook. The
- 15 database must include:
- 16 (1) the amount, date, payor, and payee of
- 17 expenditures; and

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- 18 (2) a listing of state expenditures by:
- 19 (A) object of expense with links to the warrant
- 20 or check register level; and
- (B) to the extent maintained by state agency
- 22 accounting systems in a reportable format, class and item levels.
- SECTION 2. Section 2054.126(f), Government Code, is amended
- 24 to read as follows:

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- 1 (f) Each state agency that maintains a generally accessible
 2 Internet site or for which a generally accessible Internet site is
 3 maintained shall include a link on the home page of the agency's
 4 Internet site to the state expenditure database established under
 5 Section 403.024. In this subsection, "state agency" has the
 6 meaning assigned by Section 403.013.
- 7 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.