

1-1 By: Hall S.B. No. 716
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 24, 2015; March 2, 2015,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
 1-4 April 20, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 20, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Huffman	X			
1-8 Ellis			X	
1-9 Birdwell	X			
1-10 Creighton	X			
1-11 Estes	X			
1-12 Fraser			X	
1-13 Nelson			X	
1-14 Schwertner	X			
1-15 Zaffirini	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the methods of delivery for required financial
 1-20 statement forms sent to certain municipal officeholders and
 1-21 candidates for municipal office.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 145.005(b), Local Government Code, is
 1-24 amended to read as follows:

1-25 (b) The clerk or secretary shall deliver at least one copy
 1-26 of the form by mail, personal delivery, or e-mail or any other means
 1-27 of electronic transfer [~~two copies of the form~~] to each municipal
 1-28 officer or person who is appointed to a municipal office who is
 1-29 required to file under this chapter within the time prescribed by
 1-30 Section 572.030(c)(1), Government Code. The clerk or secretary
 1-31 shall deliver [~~mail~~] a copy of the form to each candidate for a
 1-32 municipal office filled by election who is required to file under
 1-33 this chapter not later than the 10th day before the deadline for
 1-34 filing the statement under Section 145.004(c).

1-35 SECTION 2. Section 145.009(c), Local Government Code, is
 1-36 amended to read as follows:

1-37 (c) It is a defense to prosecution under this section that
 1-38 the officer or candidate did not receive copies of the financial
 1-39 statement form required to be delivered [~~mailed~~] to the officer or
 1-40 candidate by this chapter.

1-41 SECTION 3. Section 145.005(b), Local Government Code, as
 1-42 amended by this Act, applies only to a financial statement due on or
 1-43 after the effective date of this Act. A financial statement due
 1-44 before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in
 1-45 effect on the date the financial statement was due, and the former
 1-46 law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1-47 SECTION 4. Section 145.009(c), Local Government Code, as
 1-48 amended by this Act, applies only to an offense committed on or
 1-49 after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before
 1-50 the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on
 1-51 the date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued
 1-52 in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an
 1-53 offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any
 1-54 element of the offense occurred before that date.

1-55 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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