S.B. No. 1970 1-1 By: Huffman 1-2 1-3 (In the Senate - Filed March 13, 2015; March 25, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs; April 28, 2015, reported adversely, with favorable Committee 1-4 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 1; April 28, 2015, 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7	COMMITTEE VOTE				
1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Huffman	Х			
1-10	Ellis	Х			
1-11	Birdwell	Х			
1-12	Creighton	Х			
1-13	Estes	Х			
1-14	Fraser		Х		
1-15	Nelson	Х			
1-16	Schwertner	Х			
1-17	Zaffirini	Х			

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1970 By: Huffman

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1-21 relating to increasing the electronic filing fee for certain 1-22 courts. 1-23

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

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 51.851(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows: 1-25

1-26 1-27 In addition to other fees authorized or required by law, (b) the clerk of the supreme court, a court of appeals, a district court, a county court, a statutory county court, or a statutory probate court shall collect a $\frac{330}{20}$ [$\frac{20}{20}$] fee on the filing of any civil action or proceeding requiring a filing fee, including an 1-28 1-29 1-30 appeal, and on the filing of any counterclaim, cross-action, intervention, interpleader, or third-party action requiring a filing fee to be used as provided by Section 51.852. 1-31 1**-**32 1-33

1-34 SECTION 2. (a) Section 51.607, Government Code, does not apply to the imposition of a fee assessed under Section 51.851(b), 1-35 Government Code, as amended by this Act. (b) The changes in law made by this Act apply only to a fee 1-36

1-37 that becomes payable on or after September 1, 2015. A fee that becomes payable before that date is governed by the law in effect 1-38 1-39 when the fee became payable, and the former law is continued in 1-40 1-41 effect for that purpose.

1-42 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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