

1-1 By: Birdwell S.B. No. 526
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 19, 2017; February 8, 2017,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce;
 1-4 April 10, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 10, 2017,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 526 By: Nichols

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the abolishment of certain advisory committees and
 1-22 other entities created to assist or advise state agencies or
 1-23 officers.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 402.033, Government Code, is amended by
 1-26 amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (d) to read as
 1-27 follows:

1-28 (b) If a person determines or reasonably suspects that
 1-29 fraudulent activity has been committed or is about to be committed,
 1-30 the person shall report the information to an authorized
 1-31 governmental agency. If a person reports the information to the
 1-32 attorney general, the attorney general shall notify an appropriate
 1-33 law enforcement agency with jurisdiction to investigate the
 1-34 fraudulent activity [~~each agency with representation on the~~
 1-35 ~~residential mortgage fraud task force under Section 402.032~~]. If a
 1-36 financial institution or person voluntarily or pursuant to this
 1-37 section reports fraudulent activity to an authorized governmental
 1-38 agency, the financial institution or person may not notify any
 1-39 person involved in the fraudulent activity that the fraudulent
 1-40 activity has been reported, and the authorized governmental agency
 1-41 who has any knowledge that such report was made shall not disclose
 1-42 to any person involved in the fraudulent activity that the
 1-43 fraudulent activity has been reported. Any financial institution
 1-44 or person that makes a voluntary report of any possible violation of
 1-45 law or regulation to an authorized governmental agency shall not be
 1-46 liable to any person under any law or regulation of the state or the
 1-47 United States for such report.

1-48 (d) An authorized governmental agency may share
 1-49 confidential information or information to which access is
 1-50 otherwise restricted by law with one or more other authorized
 1-51 governmental agencies. Except as provided by this subsection,
 1-52 confidential information that is shared under this subsection
 1-53 remains confidential and legal restrictions on access to the
 1-54 information apply.

1-55 SECTION 2. The following provisions are repealed:

- 1-56 (1) Section 231.013, Family Code;
- 1-57 (2) Section 402.032, Government Code;
- 1-58 (3) Sections 195.002(d) and 195.008, Local Government
 1-59 Code; and
- 1-60 (4) Subchapter E, Chapter 110, Occupations Code.

2-1 SECTION 3. On the effective date of this Act, the following
2-2 are abolished:
2-3 (1) the information resources steering committee;
2-4 (2) the residential mortgage fraud task force;
2-5 (3) the Electronic Recording Advisory Committee; and
2-6 (4) the interagency advisory committee to the Council
2-7 on Sex Offender Treatment.
2-8 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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