

Finding Changes to a Law Using Texas Legislature Online

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The Goal

The goal of this handout is to assist you with updating the fee schedule for your department.

Step 1: Getting Started

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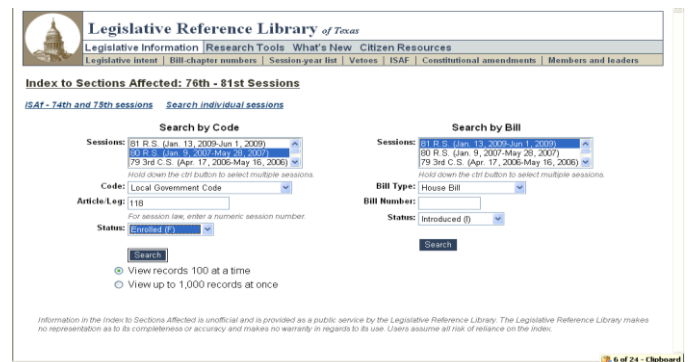
Click on “Legislative Reference Library” located on the left side of the Home Page under the Related Links heading. From that home page, click on “Index to Sections Affected.” This will take you to a new screen that allows you to search for changes that have been made to a particular section of the Texas Codes.



Step 2: Searching for Changes to the Code

1. Under “Search by Code,” locate the “Session” box. Choose the 80th Legislature, Regular Session by selecting **80 R.S. (Jan 9, 2007 – May 28, 2007)** on the pull-down menu.

2. Next, choose the code in which you want to search for any changes by making a selection from the “Code” pull-down menu.



3. If you know the Section or Article number of the specific section of the code you want to see, enter it in the “Section/Legislature” box.

4. Now choose the **Enrolled Version** of the law from the “Status” pull-down menu. The Enrolled version is the text of the bill as it is finally passed by BOTH houses of the legislature. This version is the final version of the bill as signed by the Governor; this version is known as “the law.”

5. Finally, click on the “Search” button to send your request. You will be taken to a screen that displays all of the bills that have made changes to this code section during the most recent legislative session.

6. Click on the bill that you wish to view under the “Bill/Section” column. This will take you to a new screen displaying the different versions of the selected bill.

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Search [code = Local Government Code articles beginning with = 118 status = Enrolled (F) Sessions: 80-0 Sort order = code]

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Code	Article/Section	Effect	Session	Bill/Section	Status
Local Government Code	118.011 (a)	Amends	80th R.S.	HB 2685 3	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.018	Amends	80th R.S.	HB 2685 4	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.018 (a)	Amends	80th R.S.	HB 2685 4	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.018 (c)	Repeals	80th R.S.	HB 2685 6	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.022	Amends	80th R.S.	HB 2685 5	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.051	Amends	80th R.S.	HB 1295 1	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.052	Amends	80th R.S.	HB 1295 2	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.052	Amends	80th R.S.	SB 819 1	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.055 (a)	Amends	80th R.S.	HB 1295 3	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.056	Amends	80th R.S.	SB 819 2	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.056 (a)	Amends	80th R.S.	SB 819 2	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.057 (a)	Amends	80th R.S.	HB 1295 4	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.067	Adds	80th R.S.	HB 1295 5	Enrolled
Local Government Code	118.071	Amends	80th R.S.	SB 449 1	Enrolled

Step 3: Viewing a Bill

Once you have retrieved a bill, click on the icon in the Text column to select the **Enrolled** version of the bill. This will display the text of the bill as it was passed by both houses of the legislature and signed by the Governor.

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Bill: HB 2685 Legislative Session: 80(R) Author: Chisum [Add to Bill List](#)

Version	Bill	Fiscal Note	Analysis	Witness List	Summary of Cmte Action
Introduced					
House Committee Report					
Engrossed					
Senate Committee Report					
Senate Amendments Printing					
Enrolled					

Additional Documents: [HBO Bill Analysis](#) [Enrolled Bill Summary](#)

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How to read the changes:

When text is **added** to a code section, the new text is displayed as **underlined**.

When text is **removed** from a code section, the old text is displayed as **~~[strikethrough with brackets]~~**.

For example:

“(b) The comptroller shall deposit the money received under Subsection (a)(1) [this section] to the credit of the child abuse and neglect prevention trust fund...”

H.B. No. 2685

1 DECLARATION FEES. (a) if the county clerk collects a fee for
2 issuing a marriage license, the (the) county clerk shall deposit,
3 as provided by Subchapter B, Chapter 133,
4 (1) \$20 (or \$10-50) of each fee collected for issuing
5 (issuance of) a marriage license or \$12.50 of each fee for recording
6 a declaration of informal marriage to be sent to the comptroller and
7 deposited as provided by Subsection (b), and
8 (2) \$10 of each fee collected for issuing a marriage
9 license to be sent to the comptroller and deposited as provided by
10 Subsection (c).
11 (b) The comptroller shall deposit the money received under
12 Subsection (a)(1) [this section] to the credit of the child abuse
13 and neglect prevention trust fund account established under Section
14 40.105, Human Resources Code.
15 (c) The comptroller shall deposit the money received under
16 Subsection (a)(1) [this section] to the credit of the child abuse and neglect prevention trust fund account established under Section 40.105, Human Resources Code.

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