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S.B. No. 426

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the electronic filing of documents for capital cases in
3 the court of criminal appeals.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 22, Government Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 22.1095 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 22.1095. RULES ON ELECTRONIC FILING OF DOCUMENTS FOR
8 CAPITAL CASES IN COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS. (a) Notwithstanding
9 Subchapter I, Chapter 51, or any other law, the court of criminal
10 appeals may adopt rules and procedures providing for and governing
11 the electronic filing of briefs, pleadings, and other documents for
12 capital cases in that court.

13 (b) In the adoption of rules and procedures under Subsection
14 (a), the court of criminal appeals shall coordinate with the
15 supreme court and the rules and procedures adopted by that court.

16 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.