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H.B. No. 1058

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

relating to a prohibition on the sale of court records filed through the statewide electronic filing system.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 51, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 51.808 to read as follows:

Sec. 51.808. PROHIBITION ON SALE OF COURT RECORDS. A person operating a system approved by the supreme court as required by Section 51.803 to electronically file a court record in a court in this state as part of the statewide electronic filing system may not sell or offer to sell a copy of any court record filed through the system unless the person selling or offering to sell the document is the clerk of the court in which the document was originally filed.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.