

1 for that solicitation.

2 (d) A person who violates this section is subject to a civil
3 penalty of not more than:

- 4 (1) \$500 for the first violation;
- 5 (2) \$1,000 for the second violation; and
- 6 (3) \$3,000 for each subsequent violation.

7 (e) At the request of the comptroller or the person to whom
8 the solicitation was directed, the attorney general or the
9 appropriate district or county attorney may institute and conduct a
10 suit to collect the penalty authorized by this section and to
11 restrain the person from continuing to violate this section.

12 (f) The penalty prescribed by this section is in addition to
13 any other penalty provided by law.

14 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to a request for
15 information under Chapter 552, Government Code, received by the
16 comptroller of public accounts on or after the effective date of
17 this Act. A request for information received before the effective
18 date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the
19 request was received, and that law is continued in effect for that
20 purpose.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

David Newkirk
President of the Senate

Jim Cradick
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 263 passed the Senate on April 18, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 0.

Steve Spaw
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 263 passed the House on May 25, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Robert Nancy
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

17 JUNE '05

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Rick Perry
Governor

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