

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently when an attorney submits an incorrect or incomplete form mandated by Texas law, the Bureau of Vital Statistics returns the form to the district clerk. The district clerk has no enforcement authority to encourage attorneys to make the corrections or additions to the form. As proposed, S.B. 1587 requires certain forms submitted to the Bureau of Vital Statistics which need corrections to be mailed directly from the Bureau of Vital Statistics to the attorney of record designated on the certificate.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 192.009, Health and Safety Code, by adding Subsection (d), as follows:

(d) Certificate of Adoption, Annulment of Adoption, or Revocation of Adoption. Requires certificates submitted to the state registrar by the clerk of the court, which need correction, to be mailed directly from the Bureau of Vital Statistics to the attorney of record designated on the certificate.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 194.002, Health and Safety Code, by adding Subsection (f), as follows:

(f) Report of Divorce or Annulment. Requires forms submitted to the Bureau of Vital Statistics by the clerk of the court, which need correction, to be mailed directly from the Bureau of Vital Statistics to the attorney of record designated on the certificate.

SECTION 3. Amends Section 108.003, Family Code, by adding Subsection (c), as follows:

(c) Corrections of Bureau of Vital Statistics Forms. Requires forms submitted to the Bureau of Vital Statistics to be mailed directly from the Bureau of Vital Statistics to the attorney of record as designated on the Bureau of Vital Statistics form.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2003.