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2 relating to the persons exempted from the required prepayment of
3 the personnel costs incurred by a governmental body in responding
4 to requests from a requestor under the public information law that
5 require large amounts of personnel time.

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

7 SECTION 1. Subsection (j), Section 552.275, Government
8 Code, is amended to read as follows:

9 (j) This section does not apply if the requestor is an
10 individual who, for a substantial portion of the individual's
11 livelihood or for substantial financial gain, gathers, compiles,
12 prepares, collects, photographs, records, writes, edits, reports,
13 investigates, processes, or publishes news or information for and
14 is seeking the information for [a representative of]:

15 (1) a radio or television broadcast station that holds
16 a broadcast license for an assigned frequency issued by the Federal
17 Communications Commission; [~~or~~]

18 (2) a newspaper that is qualified under Section
19 2051.044 to publish legal notices or is a free newspaper of general
20 circulation and that is published at least once a week and available
21 and of interest to the general public in connection with the
22 dissemination of news;

23 (3) a newspaper of general circulation that is
24 published on the Internet by a news medium engaged in the business

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1 of disseminating news or information to the general public; or
2 (4) a magazine that is published at least once a week
3 or on the Internet by a news medium engaged in the business of
4 disseminating news or information to the general public.

5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009. _____

David Newkirk
President of the Senate

Jim Strawn
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1629 passed the Senate on April 28, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 30, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0. _____

Letsy Spaw
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1629 passed the House, with amendment, on May 27, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 148, Nays 0, one present not voting. _____

Robert Honey
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:
19 JUN '09
Date

Rick Perry
Governor

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SECRETARY OF STATE
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