Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 46.002, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 46.002. PROSECUTORS SUBJECT TO CHAPTER. This chapter applies to the state prosecuting attorney, all county prosecutors, and the following state prosecutors:

(1) the district attorneys for Kenedy and Kleberg Counties and for the 1st, 2nd, 8th, 9th, 12th, 18th, 21st, 23rd, 25th, 26th, 27th, 29th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 38th, 39th, 42nd, 43rd, 46th, 47th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 63rd, 64th, 66th, 69th, 70th, 76th, 79th, 81st, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 88th, 90th, 97th, 100th, 105th, 106th, 109th, 110th, 112th, 118th, 119th, 123rd, 142nd, 143rd, 145th, 156th, 159th, 173rd, 196th, 198th, 216th, 220th, 229th, 235th, 253rd, 258th, 259th, 266th, 268th, 271st, 286th, 329th, 344th, 349th, 355th, and 506th judicial districts;

(2) the criminal district attorneys for the counties of Anderson, Austin, Bastrop, Bexar, Bowie, Brazoria, Caldwell, Calhoun, Cass, Collin, Comal, Dallas, Deaf Smith, Denton, Eastland, Fannin, Galveston, Grayson, Gregg, Harrison, Hays, Hidalgo, Jasper, Jefferson, Kaufman, Lubbock, McLennan, Madison, Navarro, Newton, Panola, Polk, Randall, Rockwall, San Jacinto, Smith, Tarrant, Taylor, Upshur, Van Zandt, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Wichita, Wood, and Yoakum; and

(3) the county attorneys performing the duties of district attorneys in the counties of Andrews, Callahan, Cameron, Castro, Colorado, Crosby, Ellis, Falls, Freestone, Lamar, Lamb, Lampasas, Lee, Limestone, Marion, Milam, Morris, Ochiltree, Orange, Rains, Red River, Robertson, Rusk, Swisher, Terry, Webb, and Willacy.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed the Senate on March 27, 2013: Yeas 30, Nays 0; passed the House on May 15, 2013: Yeas 141, Nays 3, two present not voting.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 426

S.B. No. 502

AN ACT relating to placement of children with certain relatives or other designated caregivers.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 264, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 264.7541 to read as follows:

Sec. 264.7541. CAREGIVER VISIT WITH CHILD; INFORMATION. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), before placing a child with a proposed relative or other designated caregiver, the department must:

(1) arrange a visit between the child and the proposed caregiver; and

(2) provide the proposed caregiver with a form, which may be the same form the department provides to nonrelative caregivers, containing information, to the extent it is available, about the child that would enhance continuity of care for the child, including:

(A) the child's school information and educational needs;

(B) the child's medical, dental, and mental health care information;

(C) the child's social and family information; and

(D) any other information about the child the department determines will assist the proposed caregiver in meeting the child's needs.

(b) The department may waive the requirements of Subsection (a) if the proposed relative or other designated caregiver has a long-standing or significant relationship with the child.
and has provided care for the child at any time during the 12 months preceding the date of
the proposed placement.

SECTION 2. Subsection (b), Section 264.755, Family Code, is amended to read as follows:
(b) Monetary assistance provided under this section must include a one-time cash payment
[of not more than $1,000] to the caregiver on the initial placement of a child or a sibling
group. The amount of the cash payment, as determined by the department, may not exceed
$1,000 for each child. The payment for placement of a sibling group must be at least $1,000
for the group, but may not exceed $1,000 for each child in the group. The cash payment must
be provided on the initial placement of each child with the caregiver and is provided to assist
the caregiver in purchasing essential child-care items such as furniture and clothing.

SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only to the placement of a child
for whom the Department of Family and Protective Services is named managing conservator
on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 4. The change in law made by this Act to Subsection (b), Section 264.755,
Family Code, does not make an appropriation or require a specific appropriation. The new
duty imposed on the Department of Family and Protective Services as a result of the changes
to that section must be performed through the appropriations provided by the legislature as
part of the existing responsibilities of the department.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed the Senate on April 4, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed the House on May 17,
2013: Yeas 134, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Approved June 14, 2013.

CHAPTER 427

S.B. No. 529

AN ACT

relating to the creation of the offense of installation, transfer, use, or possession of an automated sales
suppression device or phantom-ware.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subtitle B, Title 10, Business & Commerce Code, is amended by adding
Chapter 326 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 326. AUTOMATED SALES SUPPRESSION
DEVICES; PHANTOM-WARE

Sec. 326.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

(1) “Automated sales suppression device” means a device or software program that
falsifies an electronic record, including transaction data or a transaction report, of an
electronic cash register or other point-of-sale system. The term includes a device that
carries the software program or an Internet link to the software program.

(2) “Electronic cash register” means a device or point-of-sale system that maintains a
register or documentation through an electronic device or computer system that is
designed to record transaction data for the purpose of computing, compiling, or processing
retail sales transaction data.

(3) “Phantom-ware” means a hidden programming option that is embedded in the
operating system of an electronic cash register or hardwired into an electronic cash
register and that may be used to create a second set of transaction reports or to eliminate
or manipulate an original transaction report, which may or may not be preserved in a