

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

In 2017 the legislature passed the Judge Julie Kocurek Court Security Act to protect the personal information of our judges. However, there are still records that are not covered under this law, putting judges at potential risk.

S.B. 73 adds additional records commonly recorded by a county clerk related to real property to the list of documents that a judge or judge's spouse may request be withheld from online posting, including a mineral lease, mechanic's lien, and the release of a mechanic's lien.

As proposed, S.B. 73 amends current law relating to personal information that may be omitted from certain property records.

### **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 11.008(a), Property Code, as follows:

- (a) Redefines "instrument" as a deed, deed of trust, or any other record recorded by a county clerk related to real property, including a mineral lease, a mechanic's lien, rather than as a deed or deed of trust.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2019.