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**Finance Committee**

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**HB 3140**

**Brief Description:** Concerning property tax statements.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Conway and Santos.

**Brief Summary of Bill**

- Requires county treasurer to send a copy of the property tax bill to the property owner when a bank or other party pays the tax on behalf of the property owner.

**Hearing Date:** 2/4/08

**Staff:** Rick Peterson (786-7150).

**Background:**

Property taxes are collected by the county treasurer in which the property is located. The county treasurer is required to notify the taxpayer of the amount of tax owed. The following information is required: the value of the real and personal property, the amount of current and delinquent property tax, and the name and amount for each district levying a tax. The tax statements also shows the amount of voter approved levies.

The treasurer sends the tax bill to the property owner or the institution paying the tax in cases where the owner has taxes paid from an account kept by that institution.

**Summary of Bill:**

A copy of the tax bill must be sent to the property owner when a bank or other party pays the tax on behalf of the property owner. The copy must clearly state that it is not a bill for collection of property taxes.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available.

**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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