



**Joint Statement of
Texas Court Reporters Association & Texas Deposition Reporters Association
(April 2, 2019)**

RELEASED AT 5 P.M.

The Texas Court Reporters Association (TCRA) and Texas Deposition Reporters Association (TEXDRA) agreed today to set aside their differences on an issue that is important to both associations: Whether to require court reporting firms to provide reporters with whom they work an itemized statement of taxable costs to which the reporter must certify when a deposition transcript is finally completed.

In return for TCRA requesting the sponsor of House Bill 1619 to replace the language requiring such itemized statements from the bill -- replacing it with a requirement that, upon request, the court reporting firm must provide the deposition reporter with a copy of the Further Certification, once completed -- TEXDRA agrees to communicate to legislators that it supports the revised bill through final passage by the Legislature and signing by the Governor.

Both organizations recognize that each has respectfully acted in good faith, and that when unity of the court reporting profession can be achieved, it is always in the best interests of our profession to do so.

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