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Abstract: Adds an alternate procedure for sealing the deposition electronically by secure electronic means and simultaneously delivering the deposition electronically to all parties attending the deposition.

<u>Present law</u> provides the procedures for taking, certifying, and sealing the deposition of a witness in civil matters.

<u>Present law</u> requires the court reporter to securely seal the deposition in an envelope endorsed with the title of the action and promptly send it by U.S. mail or by courier to the party at whose request the deposition was taken, who shall become the custodian of the deposition.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds an alternate procedure for sealing the deposition electronically by secure electronic means and simultaneously delivering the deposition electronically to all parties attending the deposition, with the party at whose request the deposition was taken becoming the custodian of the deposition.

(Amends C.C.P. Art. 1446(A)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:

- 1. Reorganize the order of the provisions so that the procedures for sealing paper and electronic depositions appear together in the same Subparagraph.
- 2. Specify that copies of the electronic deposition are promptly and simultaneously delivered to all parties attending the deposition.