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H.B. No. 5137

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to requirements for the use on the state's international  
3 border of motion detection cameras and for camera data storage from  
4 those cameras.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 411, Government Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 411.00951 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 411.00951. REQUIREMENTS FOR BORDER MOTION DETECTION  
9 CAMERAS AND DATA STORAGE. (a) In this section, "company" has the  
10 meaning assigned by Business & Commerce Code, Section 113.001.

11 (b) In any program the department establishes or has  
12 established to monitor this state's international border, the  
13 department shall use motion detection cameras manufactured in this  
14 state and by a company headquartered in this state.

15 (c) The department may not use a device to store data from a  
16 motion detection camera unless the device is:

17 (1) located in the United States; and

18 (2) operated by a company headquartered in this state.

19 (d) Notwithstanding Subsection (b), if the department  
20 cannot use a motion detection camera described in Subsection (b),  
21 the department shall:

22 (1) use a motion detection camera that is  
23 manufactured:

24 (A) outside this state but within the United

1 States; and

2 (B) by a company headquartered outside this state  
3 but within the United States; and

4 (2) use FIRSTNET motion detection cameras.

5 (d) Notwithstanding Subsection (c), the department may use  
6 a device to store data from a motion detection camera that is  
7 operated outside this state but within the United States if a  
8 company described in Subsection (c)(2) cannot store the data.

9 SECTION 2. Section 411.00951, Government Code, as added by  
10 this Act, applies only to a contract for the purchase of motion  
11 detection cameras or the storage of data from motion detection  
12 cameras entered into on or after the effective date of this Act.

13 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.