

AN ACT

relating to the filing of a notice of seizure and intended forfeiture in an asset forfeiture case.

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

SECTION 1. Article 59.05, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

(g) If property is seized at a federal checkpoint, the notice of seizure and intended forfeiture may be filed in and the proceeding may be held in:

(1) the county in which the seizure occurred; or

(2) with the consent of the owner, operator, or agent in charge of the property, a county that is adjacent to the county in which the seizure occurred, if both counties are in the same judicial district.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

H.B. No. 3377

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3377 was passed by the House on May 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3377 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor