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S.B. No. 918

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of a summons for an appearance related to certain violations of parole.

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

SECTION 1. Section 508.251, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (c-1) to read as follows:

(c) Instead of the issuance of a warrant under this section, the division:

(1) shall issue to the person a summons requiring the person to appear for a hearing under Section 508.281 if the person is arrested only on a charge of having committed an administrative violation of a condition of release; and

(2) may issue to a person, other than a person to whom a summons is required to be issued under Subdivision (1), ~~[the person]~~ a summons requiring the person to appear for a hearing under Section 508.281. ~~[The summons must state the time, date, place, and purpose of the hearing.]~~

(c-1) A summons issued under Subsection (c) must state the time, date, place, and purpose of the hearing.

SECTION 2. (a) This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

(b) The change in law made by this Act applies only to a person released on parole, mandatory supervision, or conditional pardon who, on or after the effective date of this Act, is accused

1 of a violation of a condition of the person's release. A person  
2 charged with an alleged violation occurring before the effective  
3 date of this Act is covered by the law in effect when the alleged  
4 violation occurred, and the former law is continued in effect for  
5 that purpose.