

Amend the proposed floor substitute to **HB 8** (Amendment No. 7 by Gattis) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS to the bill accordingly:

SECTION ____ . Chapter 38, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Article 38.351 to read as follows:

Art. 38.351. CERTAIN DEFENDANTS ENTITLED TO FORENSIC ANALYSIS. (a) A defendant charged with an offense punishable as a capital felony under Section 21.02 (i), Penal Code, may request and is entitled to a forensic analysis of any available biological matter collected during the investigation of the offense.

(b) The state shall pay the cost of any forensic analysis requested and performed under this article.