

Amend CSSB 966 (Senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, add proposed Subdivision (6), Section 22.021, Civil Practices and Remedies Code (page 2, between lines 20 and 21), to read as follows:

(6) "Violent offense" has the meaning assigned by Article 17.032(a), Code of Criminal Procedure.

(2) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike proposed Subsection (a), Section 22.025, Civil Practices and Remedies Code (page 3, lines 7-21), and substituting the following:

(a) A journalist may be compelled to testify, produce, or disclose, any information, document, or item or the source of any information, document, or item obtained while acting as a journalist if the person seeking the testimony, production, or disclosure makes a clear and specific showing that the information, document, or item or the source of any information, document, or item:

(1) was obtained as the result of an eyewitness observation of criminal conduct by the journalist and a court determines by clear and specific evidence that the person requesting the testimony, production, or disclosure has exhausted reasonable efforts to obtain the information, document, or item from alternative sources;

(2) was obtained from any person who has confessed or admitted to the commission of a violent offense or to a crime against a child victim younger than 14 years of age at the time the offense was committed and a court determines by clear and specific evidence that the person requesting the testimony, production, or disclosure has exhausted reasonable efforts to obtain the information, document, or item from alternative sources;

(3) was obtained from any person from whom probable cause exists that the person has participated in a violent offense or in a crime against a child victim younger than 14 years of age at the time the offense was committed and a court determines by clear and specific evidence that the person requesting the testimony, production, or disclosure has exhausted reasonable efforts to obtain the information, document, or item from alternative sources;

(4) is reasonably necessary to stop or prevent

reasonably certain death or substantial bodily harm.