

Amend **HB 2734** by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Chapter 2, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Article 2.252 to read as follows:

Art. 2.252. VERIFICATION OF IMMIGRATION STATUS OF PERSON CHARGED WITH COMMITTING OFFENSE. (a) A local law enforcement agency that has custody of a person who has been arrested and transported to a place of detention shall verify the immigration status of the person by use of the federal Secure Communities program operated by United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement or a successor program.

(b) A local law enforcement agency is not required to conduct an immigration status verification under Subsection (a) of a person who is transferred to the custody of the agency by another law enforcement agency if the transferring agency, before transferring custody of the person, conducted an immigration status verification under Subsection (a).