

AN ACT

relating to the DNA database at the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 63, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Article 63.0515 to read as follows:

Art. 63.0515. CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCY. For purposes of this subchapter, the center is a criminal justice agency that performs forensic DNA analyses on evidence, including evidence related to a case involving unidentified human remains or a high-risk missing person. The center shall comply with 42 U.S.C. Section 14132.

SECTION 2. Article 63.052(b), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The [~~sole purpose of the~~] database may be used [~~is~~] to identify unidentified human remains and high-risk missing persons.

SECTION 3. Article 63.052(c), Code of Criminal Procedure, is repealed.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2385 was passed by the House on April 26, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 148, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2385 was passed by the Senate on May 19, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor