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H.B. No. 2472

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the reporting of certain warrant or capias information to the national crime information center.

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

SECTION 1. Article 2.195, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

Art. 2.195. ~~[DUTY TO]~~ REPORT OF WARRANT OR CAPIAS INFORMATION. Not later than the 30th day after ~~[Within 30 days of]~~ the date ~~[day]~~ the court clerk issues the warrant or capias, the sheriff:

(1) shall report to the national crime information center each warrant or capias issued for a defendant charged with a felony who fails to appear in court when summoned; and

(2) may ~~[shall]~~ report to the national crime information center each warrant or capias issued for a defendant charged with a misdemeanor ~~[an offense]~~ other than a Class C misdemeanor who fails to appear in court when summoned.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a warrant or capias issued on or after the effective date of this Act. A warrant or capias issued before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the warrant or capias was issued, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.