1-1 Turner of Harris, Giddings, Miles H.B. No. 528

(Senate Sponsor - Whitmire)
(In the Senate - Received from the House April 24, 2013;
April 29, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Jurisprudence; May 16, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 16, 2013, sent to printer.) 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 1-6

## 1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

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| -11          | Campbell  | X   |     |        |     |
| <b>-</b> 12  | Carona    | X   |     |        |     |
| <b>-</b> 13  | Garcia    | X   |     |        |     |
| -14          | Hancock   | X   |     |        |     |
| <b>-</b> 15  | Paxton    | X   |     |        |     |

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to the restriction of access to the records and files of a 1-18 1-19 child charged with or convicted of certain fine-only misdemeanor 1-20

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

SECTION 1. Article 44.2811, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

Art. 44.2811. RECORDS RELATING TOCERTAIN [CHILDREN CONVICTED OF FINE-ONLY MISDEMEANORS COMMITTED BY A CHILD. [All records and files and information stored by electronic means or otherwise, from which a record or file could be generated, relating to a child who is convicted of and has satisfied the judgment for a fine-only misdemeanor offense other than a traffic offense are confidential and may not be disclosed to the public except as provided under Article 45.0217(b). All records and files and information stored by electronic means or otherwise, from which a record or file could be generated, relating to a <u>criminal case</u> [child whose conviction] for a fine-only misdemeanor, other than a traffic offense, that is committed by a child and that is appealed [affirmed] are confidential [upon satisfaction of the judgment] and may not be disclosed to the public except as provided under Article 45.0217(b).

SECTION 2. The heading to Article 45.0217, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

Art. 45.0217. CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS  $\overline{\text{AGAINST OR}}$  THE CONVICTION OF A CHILD. RELATED TO CHARGES

SECTION 3. Article 45.0217(a), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

Except as provided by Article 15.27 and Subsection (b), (a) all records and files, including those held by law enforcement, and information stored by electronic means or otherwise, from which a record or file could be generated, relating to a child who is charged with, is convicted of, is found not guilty of, had a charge dismissed for, or is granted deferred disposition [and has satisfied the judgment] for a fine-only misdemant of the satisfied the judgment of the satisfied the sa satisfied the judgment] for a fine-only misdemeanor offense other than a traffic offense are confidential and may not be disclosed to the public.

SECTION 4. Section 58.00711, Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 58.00711. RECORDS RELATING TO CHILDREN CHARGED WITH OR CONVICTED OF FINE-ONLY MISDEMEANORS. Except as provided by Article 45.0217(b), Code of Criminal Procedure, all records and files and information stored by electronic means or otherwise, from which a record or file could be generated, relating to a child who is charged with, is convicted of, is found not guilty of, had a charge

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SECTION 5. Articles 44.2811 and 45.0217, Code of Criminal Procedure, and Section 58.00711, Family Code, as amended by this Act, apply to an offense committed before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 6. This Act takes effect January 1, 2014.

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