

1-1 By: Huffman S.B. No. 970
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 28, 2013; March 12, 2013,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;
1-4 April 4, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7,
1-5 Nays 0; April 4, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Whitmire	X		
1-9	Huffman	X		
1-10	Carona	X		
1-11	Hinojosa	X		
1-12	Patrick	X		
1-13	Rodriguez	X		
1-14	Schwertner	X		

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the execution of a search warrant for taking a DNA
1-18 specimen.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Chapter 18, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
1-21 amended by adding Article 18.065 to read as follows:

1-22 Art. 18.065. WARRANT FOR DNA SPECIMEN MAY BE EXECUTED IN ANY
1-23 COUNTY. Notwithstanding any other law, a warrant issued under
1-24 Article 18.02(10) to collect a DNA specimen from a person for the
1-25 purpose of connecting that person to an offense may be executed in
1-26 any county in this state, regardless of whether the issuing court's
1-27 jurisdiction extends outside the county in which that court is
1-28 located.

1-29 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
1-30 to a search warrant issued on or after the effective date of this
1-31 Act. A search warrant issued before the effective date of this Act
1-32 is governed by the law in effect on the date the warrant was issued,
1-33 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1-34 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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