

Amend CSSB 3 (senate committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Subchapter B, Chapter 402, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 402.038 to read as follows:

Sec. 402.038. TRANSNATIONAL AND ORGANIZED CRIME DIVISION.

(a) The office of the attorney general shall establish a transnational and organized crime division.

(b) To address matters related to border security and organized crime, the transnational and organized crime division shall:

(1) establish within the division a prosecution unit to provide critical assistance to local prosecutors;

(2) using existing funds, establish within the division a trafficking of persons unit to:

(A) assist local law enforcement agencies and local prosecutors in investigating and prosecuting trafficking of persons and related crimes; and

(B) work with the appropriate local and state agencies to identify victims of trafficking of persons and to provide the types of assistance available for those victims under Chapter 56, Code of Criminal Procedure; and

(3) develop initiatives to provide greater state assistance, support, and coordination among state law enforcement agencies, local law enforcement agencies, and local prosecutors.

(c) Assistance provided by the division under this section may include the assistance authorized under Section 402.028.

SECTION _____. Not later than December 1, 2015, the office of the attorney general shall establish the transnational and organized crime division as required by Section 402.038, Government Code, as added by this Act.