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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to requiring state agencies to participate in the federal
3 electronic verification of employment authorization program, or
4 E-verify.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subtitle B, Title 6, Government Code, is amended
7 by adding Chapter 673 to read as follows:

8 CHAPTER 673. VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

9 Sec. 673.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

10 (1) "E-verify program" means the electronic
11 verification of employment authorization program of the federal
12 Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996
13 (Pub. L. No. 104-208, reprinted in note, 8 U.S.C. Section 1324a),
14 operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, or a
15 successor employment authorization program designated by the
16 United States Department of Homeland Security or other federal
17 agency authorized to verify the employment authorization status of
18 newly hired employees under the federal Immigration Reform and
19 Control Act of 1986 (8 U.S.C. Section 1101 et seq.).

20 (2) "State agency" has the meaning assigned by Section
21 659.101.

22 Sec. 673.002. VERIFICATION. A state agency shall register
23 and participate in the E-verify program to verify information of
24 all new employees.

1 Sec. 673.003. RULES. The Texas Workforce Commission shall
2 adopt rules and prescribe forms to implement this chapter.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.