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H.B. No. 366

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the sealing of applications and orders for the  
3 installation and use of mobile tracking devices in certain law  
4 enforcement investigations.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 14, Article 18.21, Code of Criminal  
7 Procedure, is amended by adding Subsection (e-1) to read as  
8 follows:

9 (e-1) The district judge shall seal any documents submitted  
10 to the court under this section, and any order or extension of an  
11 order issued under this section, until the period authorized by the  
12 order and extension expires.

13 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
14 to an application for a mobile tracking device that is submitted on  
15 or after the effective date of this Act. An application for a mobile  
16 tracking device that is submitted before the effective date of this  
17 Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the application was  
18 submitted, and the former law is continued in effect for that  
19 purpose.

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