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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to access to criminal history record information by a
3 county sheriff.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section [411.1237](#), Government Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 411.1237. ACCESS TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD
8 INFORMATION: COUNTY FIRE MARSHALS; COUNTY SHERIFFS. (a) On
9 request of the department chief or chief executive of a fire
10 department or an emergency medical services provider for an
11 unincorporated area, a county fire marshal or county sheriff is
12 entitled to obtain from the department criminal history record
13 information maintained by the department that relates to:

14 (1) an applicant for employment or membership with the
15 requesting fire department or emergency medical services provider;
16 or

17 (2) an employee or member of the requesting fire
18 department or emergency medical services provider.

19 (b) The county fire marshal or county sheriff may disclose
20 criminal history record information obtained under Subsection (a)
21 to the department chief or chief executive of the requesting fire
22 department or emergency medical services provider, except that the
23 county fire marshal or county sheriff may disclose criminal history
24 record information obtained by the department from the Federal

1 Bureau of Investigation only to governmental entities or as
2 authorized by federal law, federal executive order, or federal
3 rule.

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