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H.B. No. 3016

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to fingerprints collected by the Texas Department of
3 Public Safety from an applicant for a driver's license or personal
4 identification certificate and used for the department's image
5 verification system.

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

7 SECTION 1. Sections 521.059(a) and (b), Transportation
8 Code, are amended to read as follows:

9 (a) The department shall establish an image verification
10 system based on the following identifiers collected by the
11 department under Section 521.142(b):

- 12 (1) an applicant's facial image; and
13 (2) an applicant's thumbprints and ~~or~~ fingerprints.

14 (b) The department shall authenticate the facial image,
15 ~~and~~ thumbprints, and ~~or~~ fingerprints provided by an applicant
16 for a personal identification certificate, driver's license, or
17 commercial driver's license or permit using image comparison
18 technology to ensure that the applicant:

19 (1) is issued only one original license, permit, or
20 certificate;

21 (2) does not fraudulently obtain a duplicate license,
22 permit, or certificate; and

23 (3) does not commit other fraud in connection with the
24 application for a license, permit, or certificate.

1 SECTION 2. Section [521.142\(b\)](#), Transportation Code, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 (b) The application must include:

4 (1) the thumbprints and [~~of the applicant or, if~~
5 ~~thumbprints cannot be taken, the index~~] fingerprints of the
6 applicant;

7 (2) a photograph of the applicant;

8 (3) the signature of the applicant; and

9 (4) a brief description of the applicant.

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