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H.B. No. 3704

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a study on automobile theft

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

SECTION 1. (a) The Department of Public Safety shall conduct a study on trans-national automobile theft while consulting with the Federal Government, the Texas Auto Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority and Auto Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority funded tasks forces.

(b) The study shall address:

(1) current automobile theft rates in Texas including data on stolen vehicles brought into Mexico;

(2) practices currently in place to prevent stolen vehicles from exiting Texas into Mexico

(3) suggestions on how to further control automobile theft between Texas and Mexico

(4) determine the feasibility of a no-cross database, whereby vehicle owners can sign and acknowledge that they do not want their vehicles to exit Texas into Mexico

(c) Not later than November, 2016, the Department of Public Safety shall issue a report on the study required under this section to the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the appropriate standing committees of the house of representatives and the senate.

(d) This section expires September 1, 2017.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.