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H.B. No. 3824

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the duties and powers of peace officers.

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

SECTION 1. Article 2.13(b), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The officer ~~[shall]~~:

(1) may, if authorized, ~~[in every case authorized by the provisions of this Code,~~ interfere without warrant to prevent or suppress crime;

(2) shall execute all lawful process issued to the officer by any magistrate or court;

(3) shall give notice to some magistrate of all offenses committed within the officer's jurisdiction, if ~~[where]~~ the officer has probable cause ~~[good reason]~~ to believe there has been a violation of the penal law; and

(4) may, if authorized, arrest offenders without warrant so ~~[in every case where the officer is authorized by law, in order]~~ that they may be taken before the proper magistrate or court and be tried.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.