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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to the duties and powers of peace officers.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Article 2.13(b), Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 (b) The officer [shall]:
- 7 (1) may, if authorized, [in every case authorized by
- 8 the provisions of this Code, interfere without warrant to prevent
- 9 or suppress crime;
- 10 (2) shall execute all lawful process issued to the
- 11 officer by any magistrate or court;
- 12 (3) shall give notice to some magistrate of all
- 13 offenses committed within the officer's jurisdiction, if [where]
- 14 the officer has probable cause [good reason] to believe there has
- 15 been a violation of the penal law; and
- 16 (4) may, if authorized, arrest offenders without
- 17 warrant so [in every case where the officer is authorized by law, in
- 18 order] that they may be taken before the proper magistrate or court
- 19 and be tried.
- 20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.