

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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H.B. 2697  
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Engrossed

### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

H.B. 2697 amends current law relating to the prosecution of the offense of fraudulent use or possession of identifying information.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 502.001(c), Business & Commerce Code, to require a restaurant or bar owner to display in a prominent place on the premises of the restaurant or bar a sign stating in letters at least one-half inch high a certain statement. Sets forth the required language of the sign.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 32.51(b), Penal Code, as follows:

(b) Provides that a person commits an offense if the person, with the intent to harm or defraud another, obtains, possesses, transfers, or uses an item of:

(1) identifying information of another person without the other person's consent or effective consent, rather than consent; or

(2)–(3) makes no changes to these subdivisions.

SECTION 3. Makes application of this Act prospective. Provides that for purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2019.