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By:  Coleman, Thompson of Harris, Collier H.B. No. 1761

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to credit toward a defendant's sentence for time confined in jail or prison before sentencing.

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

SECTION 1.  Article 42.03, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Section 2-a to read as follows:

Sec. 2-a. In addition to the credit given to a defendant under Section 2, the judge of the court in which the defendant is convicted may give the defendant credit on the defendant's sentence for any time the defendant was confined in jail or prison for another case only, if that confinement occurred after the commission of the offense for which the defendant is convicted and before the date of the defendant's sentencing.

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies to a defendant who is sentenced for an offense on or after the effective date of this Act, regardless of whether the offense is committed before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.