H.B. No. 3688

AN ACT

relating to the apprehension of a child after escape from a secure juvenile facility or violation of conditions of release under supervision.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 243.051(a), Human Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  If a child who has been committed to the department and placed by the department in any institution or facility has escaped or has been released under supervision and broken the conditions of release:

(1)  a sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable, special investigator, or peace [~~police~~] officer may, without a warrant, arrest the child; or

(2)  a department employee designated by the executive director may, without a warrant or other order, take the child into the custody of the department.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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    President of the Senate Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3688 was passed by the House on May 3, 2019, by the following vote:  Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3688 was passed by the Senate on May 21, 2019, by the following vote:  Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

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                  Governor