By:  White (Senate Sponsor - Perry) H.B. No. 3688

(In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2019; May 7, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice; May 15, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 15, 2019, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

               Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Whitmire        X

Huffman         X

Buckingham      X

Flores          X

Hughes                    X

Miles           X

Perry           X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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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