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H.B. No. 2906

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to orders of nondisclosure for certain victims of
3	trafficking of persons.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
5	SECTION 1. Section 411.0728, Government Code, is amended to
6	read as follows:
7	Sec. 411.0728. PROCEDURE FOR CERTAIN VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING
8	OF PERSONS. (a) This section applies only to a person who is
9	<pre>convicted of or [+</pre>
10	[(1) who is] placed on <u>deferred adjudication</u> community
11	supervision [under Chapter 42A, Code of Criminal Procedure, after
12	<pre>conviction] for an offense under:</pre>
13	$\underline{(1)}$ [$\overline{(A)}$] Section 481.120, Health and Safety Code, if
14	the offense is punishable under Subsection (b)(1);
15	(2) [(B)] Section 481.121, Health and Safety Code, if
16	the offense is punishable under Subsection (b)(1);
17	(3) Section 30.05, Penal Code;
18	(4) [(C)] Section 31.03, Penal Code, if the offense is
19	<pre>punishable under Subsection (e)(1) or (2);</pre>
20	(5) [(D)] Section 43.02, Penal Code; or
21	(6) [(E)] Section 43.03(a)(2), Penal Code, if the
22	offense is punishable as a state jail felony or as any lower
23	category of offense [Class A misdemeanor; and
24	[(2) with respect to whom the conviction is

- 1 subsequently set aside by the court under Article 42A.701, Code of 2 Criminal Procedure].
- 3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter or Subchapter F, a person described by Subsection (a) who satisfies 4 5 the requirements of Section 411.074 may petition the court that convicted the person or placed the person on deferred adjudication 6 community supervision for an order of nondisclosure of criminal 7 8 history record information under this section on the grounds that the person committed the offense solely as a victim of trafficking 9 10 of persons.
- 11 (b-1) A petition under Subsection (b) must:
- 12 <u>(1)</u> assert that the person seeking an order of 13 nondisclosure under this section has not previously received an 14 order of nondisclosure under this section; and
- (2) allege specific facts that, if proved, would

 establish that the petitioner committed the offense described by

 Subsection (a) solely as a victim of trafficking of persons.
- After notice to the state, an opportunity for a hearing, 18 19 a determination by the court that the person has not previously received an order of nondisclosure under this section, and a 20 determination by the court that the person committed the offense 21 described by Subsection (a) solely as a victim of trafficking of 22 persons and that issuance of the order is in the best interest of 23 24 justice, the court shall issue an order prohibiting criminal justice agencies from disclosing [to the public] criminal history 25 26 record information related to the offense except as provided by Section 411.0765(a) [for which the defendant was placed on 27

- 1 community supervision as described by Subsection (a)].
- 2 (d) A person may petition the court that convicted the
- 3 person or placed the person on deferred adjudication community
- 4 supervision for an order of nondisclosure of criminal history
- 5 record information under this section only on or after the 90th day
- 6 after the date the person:
- 7 (1) completed the sentence, including any term of
- 8 confinement imposed and payment of all fines, costs, and
- 9 restitution imposed; or
- 10 (2) received a dismissal and discharge under Article
- 11 42A.111, Code of Criminal Procedure, if the person was placed on
- 12 deferred adjudication community supervision [person's conviction
- 13 is set aside as described by Subsection (a)].
- SECTION 2. Section 411.0765, Government Code, is amended by
- 15 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a
- 17 criminal justice agency may not disclose criminal history record
- 18 information that is the subject of an order of nondisclosure of
- 19 criminal history record information under Section 411.0728 for
- 20 regulatory licensing purposes or to an agency or entity listed in
- 21 <u>Subsection (b).</u>
- 22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.