

Amend **SB 5** (senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 2 of the bill, in added Section 120.001, Business & Commerce Code (page 1, between lines 34 and 35), insert the following appropriately numbered subdivision and renumber subsequent subdivisions of added Section 120.001, Business & Commerce Code, and cross-references to those subdivisions accordingly:

() "Bot" means an automated online account on a social media platform in which all or substantially all of the actions of or posts by that account are not the result of an individual other than any necessary account initialization.

(2) In SECTION 2 of the bill, immediately following added Section 120.003, Business & Commerce Code (page 2, between lines 5 and 6), insert the following:

Sec. 120.004. RESTRICTIONS ON BOT ACTIVITY. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to:

(1) limit the ability of a social media platform to restrict bot activity; or

(2) allow a bot to use the complaint or appeal procedures described by this chapter.

(3) In SECTION 3 of the bill, in added Section 143A.001, Civil Practice and Remedies Code (page 4, between lines 29 and 30), insert the following appropriately numbered subdivision and renumber subsequent subdivisions of added Section 143A.001, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, and cross-references to those subdivisions accordingly:

() "Bot" means an automated online account on a social media platform in which all or substantially all of the actions of or posts by that account are not the result of an individual other than any necessary account initialization.

(4) In SECTION 3 of the bill, immediately following added Section 143A.002(b), Civil Practice and Remedies Code (page 4, between lines 57 and 58), insert the following:

(c) This section does not apply to restrictions on an expression communicated by or received from a bot.