

Amend CSHB 7 (senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 2.01 of the bill, immediately following added Section 38.20(c), Penal Code (page 4, between lines 13 and 14), insert the following appropriately lettered subsection and reletter subsequent subsections and references to those subsections accordingly:

() It is a defense to prosecution under this section that the actor was coerced to commit the offense by a peace officer or member of the Texas Border Force under Subchapter B-2, Chapter 411, Government Code, in violation of Section 39.08.

(2) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to ARTICLE 2 of the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of that ARTICLE accordingly:

SECTION 2. . Chapter 39, Penal Code, is amended by adding Section 39.08 to read as follows:

Sec. 39.08. COERCION TO COMMIT IMPROPER ENTRY FROM FOREIGN NATION. (a) A person who is a peace officer or member of the Texas Border Force under Subchapter B-2, Chapter 411, Government Code, commits an offense if the person knowingly coerces a person to engage in conduct constituting an offense under Section 38.20.

(b) An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor.