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H.B. No. 767

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the entry into the Texas Crime Information Center of certain information regarding conditions of bond for stalking offenses.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Article 17.50, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

Art. 17.50. ENTRY INTO TEXAS CRIME INFORMATION CENTER OF CERTAIN INFORMATION IN CASES INVOLVING VIOLENT OFFENSES OR STALKING; DUTIES OF MAGISTRATES, SHERIFFS, AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

SECTION 2. Articles 17.50(b) and (f), Code of Criminal Procedure, are amended to read as follows:

(b) As soon as practicable but not later than the next day after the date a magistrate issues an order imposing a condition of bond on a defendant under this chapter for a violent offense or an offense under Section 42.072, Penal Code, the magistrate shall notify the sheriff of the condition and provide to the sheriff the following information:

(1) the information listed in Section 411.042(b)(6), Government Code, as that information relates to an order described by this subsection;

(2) the name and address of any named person the condition of bond is intended to protect, and if different and

1 applicable, the name and address of the victim of the alleged
2 offense;

3 (3) the date the order releasing the defendant on bond
4 was issued; and

5 (4) the court that issued the order releasing the
6 defendant on bond.

7 (f) The Department of Public Safety shall:

8 (1) modify the database to enable the database to
9 accept and maintain detailed information on active conditions of
10 bond regarding the requirements and status of a condition of bond
11 imposed by a magistrate for a violent offense or an offense under
12 Section 42.072, Penal Code, including information described by
13 Subsections (b) and (c); and

14 (2) develop and adopt a form for use by magistrates and
15 sheriffs to facilitate the data collection and data entry required
16 by this article.

17 SECTION 3. Article 17.50, Code of Criminal Procedure, as
18 amended by this Act, applies only to condition of bond imposed on or
19 after the effective date of this Act. A condition of bond imposed
20 before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in
21 effect on the date the condition was imposed, and the former law is
22 continued in effect for that purpose.

23 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.