

1-1 By: Huffman S.B. No. 34  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed August 15, 2025; August 15, 2025,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Finance;  
1-4 August 15, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 13, Nays 0; August 15, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Huffman	X			
1-9	Hinojosa of Hidalgo	X			
1-10	Alvarado	X			
1-11	Bettencourt	X			
1-12	Campbell	X			
1-13	Creighton			X	
1-14	Flores	X			
1-15	Hall	X			
1-16	Kolkhorst	X			
1-17	Nichols	X			
1-18	Paxton	X			
1-19	Perry	X			
1-20	Schwertner	X			
1-21	West	X			
1-22	Zaffirini			X	

1-23 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-24 AN ACT

1-25 relating to testimony or the production of evidence before a house  
1-26 of the legislature or a legislative committee.

1-27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-28 SECTION 1. Section 301.025, Government Code, is amended to  
1-29 read as follows:

1-30 Sec. 301.025. REQUIRING WITNESS ~~[REFUSAL]~~ TO TESTIFY OR  
1-31 PRODUCE EVIDENCE; IMMUNITY; COUNSEL. (a) A witness called by  
1-32 either house of the legislature or by a legislative committee may  
1-33 ~~[does]~~ not ~~[have a privilege to]~~ refuse to testify to a fact or  
1-34 produce a document or other evidence for any reason, except as  
1-35 provided by Subsection (b) ~~[on the ground that the testimony or~~  
1-36 ~~document may tend to disgrace the person or otherwise make the~~  
1-37 ~~person infamous].~~

1-38 (b) Subject to Subsection (c), a witness called by either  
1-39 house of the legislature or by a legislative committee may refuse to  
1-40 testify to a fact or produce a document or other evidence on the  
1-41 ground that the testimony or evidence may incriminate the person.

1-42 (c) A house of the ~~[The]~~ legislature or a legislative  
1-43 committee may require a person to testify or produce a document or  
1-44 other evidence concerning a matter under inquiry before that  
1-45 ~~[either]~~ house or [a legislative] committee even if the person  
1-46 claims that the testimony or evidence ~~[document]~~ may incriminate  
1-47 the person ~~[him].~~

1-48 (d) ~~[(c)]~~ If a person testifies or produces a document or  
1-49 other evidence as required under Subsection (c) while claiming that  
1-50 the testimony or evidence ~~[document]~~ may incriminate the person  
1-51 [him], the testimony or evidence that the person was compelled to  
1-52 produce, or any information directly or indirectly derived from  
1-53 that testimony or evidence, may not be used against the person in  
1-54 any criminal prosecution, other than a prosecution for any offense  
1-55 involving perjury, making a false statement, or providing false  
1-56 information ~~[person may not be indicted or prosecuted for any~~  
1-57 ~~transaction, matter, or thing about which the person truthfully~~  
1-58 ~~testified or produced evidence].~~

1-59 (e) ~~[(d)]~~ A witness has a right to counsel when testifying  
1-60 before either house of the legislature or a legislative committee.

1-61 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

2-1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2-2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2-3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2-4 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the  
2-5 legislative session.

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