

Amend CSSB 9 (house committee report) on page 12 as follows:

(1) On line 20, between the underlined period and "A", insert "(a)".

(2) Between lines 23 and 24, insert the following:

(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), a magistrate described by Articles 2A.151(5)-(14) may modify, but may not reduce, the amount or conditions of bond set by a judge of a district court, including the judge of a district court in a different county, pursuant to a written referral from the judge who set the bond. A referral made under this subsection:

(1) may only apply to a single defendant; and

(2) must be limited in duration.

(c) A judge may not make referrals under Subsection (b) in a manner that has the effect of transferring to a magistrate or magistrates a substantial portion of the judge's powers and duties related to modifying bond amounts and conditions.