Amend CSSB 1139 (senate committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered ARTICLE to the bill and renumbering the remaining ARTICLES of the bill accordingly:

ARTICLE ___. COURTS AUTHORIZED TO HEAR MATTERS RELATED TO CAPIAS PROFINE

SECTION ____.01. Article 43.05(b), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A capias pro fine authorizes a peace officer to place the defendant in jail until the business day following the date of the defendant's arrest if the defendant cannot be brought before the court immediately. Instead of placing the defendant in jail as authorized by this subsection, the peace officer may bring the defendant before another court that is in the same territorial jurisdiction as, and that has concurrent jurisdiction with, the court that issued the capias pro fine.

SECTION ____.02. Article 45.045, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

<u>(a-1)</u> Instead of placing the defendant in jail as authorized by Subsection (a), the peace officer may bring the defendant before another court that is in the same county as, and that has concurrent jurisdiction with, the court that issued the capias pro fine.

SECTION ____.03. Article 45.046, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) For purposes of a hearing described by Subsection (a), if the defendant cannot be immediately brought before the court that entered the judgment and sentence against the defendant, another court that is in the same county as, and that has concurrent jurisdiction with, the court that entered the judgment and sentence may conduct the hearing.