1-1 By: Wu, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Burton) H.B. No. 1442 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 3, 2017; May 5, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice; May 17, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 17, 2017, sent to printer.) 1**-**2 1**-**3 1-4 1-5 1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE 1 - 7Yea Nav Absent PNV 1-8 Whitmire 1-9 Huffman X 1-10 1-11 Birdwell Burton 1-12 Creighton Χ Garcia 1-13 Χ 1-14 Hughes 1**-**15 1**-**16 Menéndez Perry 1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-18 AN ACT 1-19 relating to the release of certain defendants pending a motion for 1-20 new trial or an appeal from a misdemeanor conviction. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 1-21 SECTION 1. Article 44.04, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Subsection (i) to read as follows: 1-22 1-23 1-24 (i) Notwithstanding any other law, pending determination of a defendant's motion for new trial or the defendant's appeal from a misdemeanor conviction, the defendant is entitled to be released after completion of a sentence of confinement imposed for the conviction. The trial court may require 1-25 1-26 1-27 1-28 1-29 the defendant to give a personal bond but may not, either instead of 1-30 or in addition to the personal bond, require: (1) any condition of the personal bond;
(2) another type of bail bond; or
(3) a surety or other security. 1-31 1-32

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SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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