1-1 By: Noble, et al. H.B. No. 604 (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini, Bettencourt, Paxton) (In the Senate - Received from the House April 14, 2021; April 21, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Local 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 Government; May 11, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 11, 2021, sent to printer.) 1-6

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COMMITTEE VOTE

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1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent
1-9	Bettencourt	Х		
1-10	Menéndez	Х		
1-11	Eckhardt	Х		
1-12	Gutierrez	Х		
1-13	Hall	Х		
1-14	Nichols	Х		
1-15	Paxton	Х		
1-16	Springer	Х		
1-17	Zaffirini	Х		

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to a microchip scan of animals in the custody of an animal 1-20 1-21 shelter or releasing agency, including an animal rescue 1-22 1-23 organization.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 1-24 SECTION 1. Chapter 823, Health and Safety Code, is amended

1-25 by adding Section 823.004 to read as follows: Sec. 823.004. MICROCHIP SCAN REQUIRED. As soon as practicable after an animal is placed in the custody of an animal shelter or a releasing agency as defined by Section 828.001, 1-26 1-27 1-28 including an animal rescue organization, the shelter, agency, or 1-29 organization shall scan the animal to determine whether a microchip 1-30 is implanted in the animal. SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021. 1-31 SECTION 2. 1-32

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