

1-1 By: Seliger S.B. No. 922
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 2, 2021; March 11, 2021, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;
 1-4 April 15, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 15, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to contracts for fingerprinting services entered into by
 1-18 the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 411, Government Code, is
 1-21 amended by adding Section 411.0865 to read as follows:

1-22 Sec. 411.0865. CONTRACTS FOR FINGERPRINTING SERVICES. (a)
 1-23 If the department enters into a contract with a vendor to provide
 1-24 fingerprinting services throughout this state for use in accessing
 1-25 criminal history record information, including a contract entered
 1-26 into under Section 2157.068, the department shall:

1-27 (1) include in the contract a provision that:

1-28 (A) requires notice to the public of a closure of
 1-29 a location providing fingerprinting services at least 45 days
 1-30 before the date on which the location closes;

1-31 (B) requires a mobile unit to provide
 1-32 fingerprinting services in or near the area of a location that
 1-33 closes until a replacement location is opened at full capacity; and

1-34 (C) allows the department to contract with a
 1-35 second vendor to provide fingerprinting services or to provide
 1-36 fingerprinting services by other means if the department determines
 1-37 that the original vendor has not fulfilled the contract in a
 1-38 reasonable manner; and

1-39 (2) annually review and prepare a report on the
 1-40 services provided by the vendor under the contract that includes a
 1-41 determination on the vendor's ability to adequately address the
 1-42 need for fingerprinting services throughout this state based on:

1-43 (A) the availability of fingerprinting
 1-44 appointments throughout this state, including any wait times for
 1-45 appointments at locations; and

1-46 (B) a study of the miles required to travel
 1-47 throughout this state in order to receive fingerprinting services
 1-48 and whether there are short-term or chronic gaps in coverage in
 1-49 certain areas of this state.

1-50 (b) The department shall provide the report prepared under
 1-51 Subsection (a)(2) to the governor and members of the legislature.

1-52 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
 1-53 to a contract for which the Department of Public Safety of the State
 1-54 of Texas first advertises or otherwise solicits bids, proposals,
 1-55 offers, or qualifications or makes a similar solicitation on or
 1-56 after the effective date of this Act. A contract for which the
 1-57 Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas first advertises
 1-58 or otherwise solicits bids, proposals, offers, or qualifications or
 1-59 makes a similar solicitation before the effective date of this Act
 1-60 is governed by the law in effect on the date the advertisement or
 1-61 solicitation is made, and that law is continued in effect for that

2-1 purpose.

2-2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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