

1-1 By: Canales (Senate Sponsor - Hinojosa) H.B. No. 1710  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 3, 2023;  
1-3 May 5, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal  
1-4 Justice; May 17, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable  
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;  
1-6 May 17, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	Whitmire	X		
1-10	Flores	X		
1-11	Bettencourt	X		
1-12	Hinojosa	X		
1-13	Huffman	X		
1-14	King	X		
1-15	Miles	X		

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1710 By: Bettencourt

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to notice provided to a court regarding a defendant  
1-20 confined in a state jail felony facility.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Article 42A.558, Code of Criminal Procedure, is  
1-23 amended by adding Subsections (b-1) and (b-2) to read as follows:

1-24 (b-1) On request of the judge, the Texas Department of  
1-25 Criminal Justice shall, not later than the 60th day after the date  
1-26 the defendant is received into the custody of a state jail felony  
1-27 facility, notify the judge of the date on which the defendant will  
1-28 have served 75 days in the facility. The notice must be provided by  
1-29 e-mail or other electronic communication.

1-30 (b-2) For purposes of Subsection (b-1), the judge may submit  
1-31 a single request to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice with  
1-32 respect to all applicable defendants sentenced in the judge's  
1-33 court.

1-34 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Article  
1-35 42A.558, Code of Criminal Procedure, applies only to a defendant  
1-36 who receives a sentence of confinement in a state jail felony  
1-37 facility on or after the effective date of this Act. A defendant  
1-38 who receives a sentence of confinement in a state jail felony  
1-39 facility before the effective date of this Act is governed by the  
1-40 law in effect at the time of sentencing, and the former law is  
1-41 continued in effect for that purpose.

1-42 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2024.

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