

1-1 By: Parker, Hall S.B. No. 1403
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 1, 2023; March 16, 2023, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Border Security;
1-4 April 4, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; April 4, 2023,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	<u>Birdwell</u>	X		
1-10	<u>Flores</u>	X		
1-11	<u>Blanco</u>	X		
1-12	<u>Hinojosa</u>	X		
1-13	<u>King</u>		X	

1-14 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1403 By: Flores

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to an interstate compact for border security, including
1-18 building a border wall and sharing state intelligence and
1-19 resources.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Title 7, Government Code, is amended by adding
1-22 Chapter 794 to read as follows:

1-23 CHAPTER 794. INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR BORDER SECURITY

1-24 Sec. 794.001. AUTHORITY TO DEVELOP AND EXECUTE COMPACT. On
1-25 behalf of this state, the governor shall develop and execute an
1-26 interstate compact for border security among interested states.

1-27 Sec. 794.002. CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED. (a) It
1-28 is the intent of the legislature that the compact developed and
1-29 executed under this chapter not require congressional approval.

1-30 (b) The compact may not increase the political power of the
1-31 compacting states in relation to the federal government.

1-32 Sec. 794.003. INTERSTATE COMPACT PROVISIONS. The compact
1-33 authorized by this chapter must provide for joint action among
1-34 compacting states on matters that include:

1-35 (1) sharing law enforcement intelligence on illegal
1-36 activity occurring at the border with Mexico;

1-37 (2) sharing state resources in order to build a
1-38 physical barrier, a comprehensive technological surveillance
1-39 system, or both, on state land to deter or detect illegal activity
1-40 occurring at the border with Mexico; and

1-41 (3) sharing other law enforcement resources to ensure
1-42 the protection of personnel and property.

1-43 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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