

1-1 By: Hinojosa of Hidalgo S.B. No. 1372
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 18, 2025; March 6, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;
1-4 April 10, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,
1-5 Nays 0; April 10, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Flores	X			
1-9	Parker	X			
1-10	Hagenbuch	X			
1-11	Hinojosa of Hidalgo	X			
1-12	Huffman	X			
1-13	King			X	
1-14	Miles	X			

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

1-17 relating to access to the crime laboratory portal.
1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-19 SECTION 1. Section [411.164](#), Government Code, is amended to
1-20 read as follows:
1-21 Sec. 411.164. DEFENSE COUNSEL ACCESS TO CRIME LABORATORY
1-22 PORTAL. In accordance with department rule, the attorney
1-23 representing the state in a criminal action shall designate [~~the~~
1-24 ~~defendant or~~ the defendant's attorney~~], as appropriate,~~ as an
1-25 individual who is authorized to access and use the crime laboratory
1-26 portal under Section [411.162](#) to request any crime laboratory
1-27 records that are subject to discovery under Article [39.14](#), Code of
1-28 Criminal Procedure.
1-29 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
1-30 to a criminal proceeding that commences on or after the effective
1-31 date of this Act. A criminal proceeding that commences before the
1-32 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the
1-33 date the proceeding commenced, and the former law is continued in
1-34 effect for that purpose.
1-35 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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