

1-1 By: Nichols S.B. No. 1497
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 20, 2025; March 6, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;
1-4 March 13, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; March 13, 2025,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Flores	X			
1-10	Parker	X			
1-11	Hagenbuch	X			
1-12	Hinojosa of Hidalgo	X			
1-13	Huffman	X			
1-14	King	X			
1-15	Miles	X			

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1497 By: Flores

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

1-19 relating to the search of certain wireless communications devices
1-20 by a peace officer.

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

1-22 SECTION 1. Article 18.0215(a), Code of Criminal Procedure,
1-23 is amended to read as follows:

1-24 (a) A peace officer may not search a person's cellular
1-25 telephone or other wireless communications device, pursuant to a
1-26 lawful arrest of the person without obtaining a warrant under this
1-27 article. A wireless communications device does not include a
1-28 skimmer as defined by Section 607.001, Business & Commerce Code, or
1-29 a device manufactured for the purpose of illicitly obtaining
1-30 payment card information or identifying information.

1-31 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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