

CHAPTER 783

H.B. No. 1166

AN ACT

relating to use of social security numbers of driver's license applicants to assist in child support enforcement.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Chapter 173, Acts of the 47th Legislature, Regular Session, 1941 (Article 6687b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by adding Section 6A to read as follows:

Sec. 6A. USE OF INFORMATION RELATING TO APPLICANT'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER. (a) *Information on a driver's license application relating to the applicant's social security number may be released to or used by the Department, the child support enforcement division of the attorney general's office, or another state entity responsible for enforcing the payment of child support.*

(b) *The Department shall enter an applicant's social security number in the Department's electronic data base but may not print the number on the applicant's driver's license.*

(c) *On request of a state entity responsible for investigating or enforcing the payment of child support, the Department shall provide information regarding an applicant's social security number.*

(d) *Information made available under this section may be used by the child support enforcement division of the attorney general's office, or another state entity responsible for enforcing the payment of child support, only to carry out its duties.*

SECTION 2. The Texas Commercial Driver's License Act (Article 6687b-2, Revised Statutes) is amended by adding Section 18A to read as follows:

Sec. 18A. RELEASE OF APPLICANT'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER FOR CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT. (a) *Information on a driver's license application relating to the applicant's social security number may be released to or used by the Department, the child support enforcement division of the attorney general's office, or another state entity responsible for enforcing the payment of child support.*

(b) *The Department shall enter an applicant's social security number in the Department's electronic data base but may not print the number on the applicant's driver's license.*

(c) *On request of a state entity responsible for investigating or enforcing the payment of child support, the Department shall provide information regarding the social security number of an applicant for a commercial driver's license.*

(d) *Information made available under this section may be used by the child support enforcement division of the attorney general's office, or another state entity responsible for enforcing the payment of child support, only to carry out its duties.*

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 1993, and applies only to a license or license renewal under Chapter 173, Acts of the 47th Legislature, Regular Session, 1941 (Article 6687b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), or the Texas Commercial Driver's License Act (Article 6687b-2, Revised Statutes), for which application is made on or after the Act's effective date. A license or license renewal for which application is made before the Act's effective date is subject to the law then in effect and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on April 6, 1993, by a non-record vote; the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1166 on May 18, 1993, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 1166 on May 28, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 13, 1993, by a viva-voce vote; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 1166 on May 28, 1993, by a viva-voce vote.

Approved June 17, 1993.

Effective Sept. 1, 1993.