

HB 1771 -- Verification of Lawful Immigration Status

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This bill requires law enforcement officials to verify within 48 hours through the United States Department of Homeland Security the lawful immigration status of a person charged with a crime and held in confinement if verification cannot be made from documents in the possession of the prisoner or after a reasonable effort by law enforcement officials. Upon verification that the prisoner is an illegal alien, the law enforcement agency must notify the federal department.