

HB 2563 -- Sexual Offenders

Sponsor: Harris (23)

This bill allows the State Highway Patrol to release Internet identifiers to an authorized Internet entity as specified in the bill to enable the entity to prescreen or remove sexual offenders from its services or advise law enforcement or other governmental entities of potential violations of law or threats to public safety. Any person required to register on the sexual offender registry must inform the chief law enforcement officer of any Internet identifiers and any Internet accounts with Internet access providers belonging to the offender or Internet identifiers that the offender uses. Notice of any changes must be made within 10 days.

Certain sexual offenders are prohibited from using the Internet to access pornographic material, access a commercial social networking web site, or communicate with other individuals or groups for the purpose of promoting sexual relations with individuals younger than 18 years of age when the offender is older than 18 years of age.