
SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senator Cathey to Engrossed House Bill No. 335 by Representative Chance Henry

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 3, delete "and (G)," and insert ", (G), (H), and (I),"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 4, after "benefits;" and before "and to" insert the following:

5 "to provide for exceptions; to provide for good faith;"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 3

7 On page 1, line 8, delete "and (G)" insert ", (G), (H), and (I)"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 4

9 On page 2, below line 17, add the following:

10 "H.(1) Except as provided in this Subsection, the provisions of this Section
11 shall not apply to any entity providing services for domestic abuse, sexual assault,
12 sexual harassment, human trafficking, homelessness, disaster response, or pregnancy
13 assistance, including but not limited to shelters, crisis centers, and nonprofit service
14 providers.

15 (2) The entities shall not required to report any individual to the United States
16 Immigration and Customs Enforcement solely on the basis of inability to verify
17 citizenship or immigration status.

18 (3) The entities shall do all of the following:

19 (a) Request proof of citizenship or qualified immigration as required by this
20 Section.

21 (b) Maintain a record indicating whether proof of citizenship or qualified
22 immigration was provided.

23 (c) Maintain a record indicating whether services or benefits were continued
24 or discontinued based on proof of citizenship or qualified immigration.

25 (d) Maintain any other data points required by rule or necessary for audit by
26 the legislative auditor.

27 (4) The records described in this Subsection shall constitute the only
28 information required to be produced to the legislative auditor for compliance with
29 this Section.

30 (5) Notwithstanding Paragraph (2) of this Subsection, if the United States
31 Immigration and Customs Enforcement submits a lawful request for information
32 regarding an individual who failed to provide proof of citizenship or qualified
33 immigration status, the entity shall provide the information in accordance with
34 applicable federal and state law.

35 (6) Nothing in this Subsection shall be construed to prohibit cooperation with
36 federal authorities when otherwise required by law.

37 I. This Section shall not apply, and no entity shall be subject to liability or
38 enforcement under this Section, for actions taken in good faith to protect life, health,
39 safety, or access to essential services during emergent circumstances, disaster
40 response, post-disaster recovery, and public health operations."