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State Senator José Menéndez Issues SB42 to Challenge “Show Me Your Papers” Law

San Antonio, Texas – Senator José Menéndez filed Senate Bill 42 to repeal SB4 otherwise known as the “Show Me Your Papers” law. SB42 has been filed during the 85th legislative special session due to the dangerous consequences and damaging effects that the SB4 law will have on U.S. citizens, immigrant families, law enforcement, and the communities they serve once it takes effect on September 1, 2017. Senator José Menéndez released the following statement:

The following quote is attributed to Senator José Menéndez:

"SB4 is a poorly veiled act of discrimination against people of color that erodes the trust between law enforcement and the community. It has caused grave concern over the survival of human dignity, civil rights, public safety, and the principles on which this nation was built. The proposed SB42 is our last chance to repeal a law from causing catastrophic effects on people's lives and promoting discrimination in multiple areas of our society. It will allow police officers to do their job to serve and protect, and not be burdened with racial profiling or having to enforce federal immigration law."

"As public servants, our job is to make sure that laws are passed to protect the constitutional rights of our families and not promote divisiveness or a fragmented sense of equality. We must send a message that discrimination will not be tolerated under any circumstance, and that we will continue to value, strengthen and protect the integrity and diversity of our great nation."

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