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H.B. No. 2840

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the inapplicability of state citrus fruit maturity  
3 standards to grapefruit and oranges processed for juice.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 94.002, Agriculture Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 94.002. EXCEPTIONS. Except to the extent specifically  
8 provided by this chapter, this chapter does not apply to:

9 (1) citrus fruit other than citrus grandis, osbeck,  
10 commonly known as grapefruit, and citrus sinensis, osbeck, commonly  
11 known as oranges;

12 (2) a sale of citrus fruit "on the trees";

13 (3) grapefruit that is shipped after December 1 of a  
14 year and before August 1 of the following year;

15 (4) early or midseason oranges that are shipped after  
16 November 1 of a year and before August 1 of the following year; ~~or~~

17 (5) transportation of citrus fruit from a grove to a  
18 packing house located in this state; or

19 (6) grapefruit or oranges that are processed for  
20 juice.

21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.