By: Goldman H.B. No. 3747

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3747:

By: Canales C.S.H.B. No. 3747

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the criminal penalty for the offense of the
- 3 unauthorized reproduction, purchase, use, sale, or possession of a
- 4 temporary tag; creating a criminal offense; increasing criminal
- 5 penalties.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 7 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 503.067, Transportation
- 8 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 9 Sec. 503.067. UNAUTHORIZED REPRODUCTION, PURCHASE, USE,
- 10 [OR] SALE, OR POSSESSION OF TEMPORARY TAGS.
- 11 SECTION 2. Section 503.067, Transportation Code, is amended
- 12 by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:
- 13 <u>(a-1)</u> A person may not possess an unauthorized temporary
- 14 tag.
- 15 SECTION 3. Section 503.094(d), Transportation Code, is
- 16 amended to read as follows:
- 17 (d) An offense involving a violation of:
- 18 (1) Section 503.067(c) [503.067(b) or (c)] is a Class
- 19 C misdemeanor;
- 20 (2) Section 503.067(a-1) or (b) [503.067(d)] is a
- 21 Class A misdemeanor;
- 22 (3) [Section 503.067(a) is a state jail felony; and
- 23 $\left[\frac{(4)}{}\right]$ Section 503.067(b) or $\left[\frac{1}{7}\right]$ (c) $\left[\frac{1}{7}\right]$ is a
- 24 state jail felony if the person who committed the offense

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- 1 criminally conspired to engage in organized criminal activity; and
- 2 (4) Section 503.067(a) or (d) is a felony of the third
- 3 <u>degree</u>.
- 4 SECTION 4. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 5 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 6 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
- 7 governed by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and
- 8 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
- 9 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
- 10 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
- 11 before that date.
- 12 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.