A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1   AN ACT

2   relating to the investigation and prosecution of certain open

3   meetings offenses as offenses against public administration.

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

5   SECTION 1. Section 411.0252, Government Code, is amended to

6   read as follows:

7   Sec. 411.0252. OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION. For

8   purposes of this subchapter, the following are offenses against

9   public administration:

10   (1) an offense under Title 8, Penal Code, committed by

11   a state officer or a state employee in connection with the powers

12   and duties of the state office or state employment;

13   (2) an offense under Chapter 301, 302, 571, 572, or

14   2004 committed by a state officer or a state employee in connection

15   with the powers and duties of the state office or state employment

16   or by a candidate for state office;

17   (3) an offense under Chapter 573 committed by a state

18   officer in connection with the powers and duties of the state

19   office; [and]

20   (4) an offense under Title 15, Election Code,

21   committed in connection with:

22   (A) a campaign for or the holding of state

23   office; or

24   (B) an election on a proposed constitutional

1 amendment; and

2 (5) an offense under Chapter 551 committed by a county

3 or municipal officer or school district board of trustees member.

4 SECTION 2. 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 on the date the offense was committed,

8 and 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 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.