

AN ACT

relating to criminal obstruction of or retaliation against an honorably retired peace officer.

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

SECTION 1. Section 36.06(b), Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) In [~~For purposes of~~] this section:

(1) "Honorably retired peace officer" means a peace officer who:

(A) did not retire in lieu of any disciplinary action;

(B) was eligible to retire from a law enforcement agency or was ineligible to retire only as a result of an injury received in the course of the officer's employment with the agency; and

(C) is entitled to receive a pension or annuity for service as a law enforcement officer or is not entitled to receive a pension or annuity only because the law enforcement agency that employed the officer does not offer a pension or annuity to its employees.

(2) "Informant" [~~,"informant"~~] means a person who has communicated information to the government in connection with any governmental function.

(3) "Public servant" includes an honorably retired

1 peace officer.

2           SECTION 2. (a) The change in law made by this Act applies  
3 only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this  
4 Act. For purposes of this section, an offense is committed before  
5 the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurs  
6 before the effective date.

7           (b) An offense committed before the effective date of this  
8 Act is governed by the law in effect when the offense was committed,  
9 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

10           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1458 was passed by the House on April 24, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1458 was passed by the Senate on May 28, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor