

1-1 By: Smith of Harris (Senate Sponsor - Brimer) H.B. No. 1773
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 7, 2003;
1-3 May 9, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 20, 2003, reported adversely,
1-5 with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 3,
1-6 Nays 0; May 20, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1773 By: Brimer

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to regulation of junked vehicles.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 683, Transportation Code,
1-13 is amended by adding Section 683.0711 to read as follows:

1-14 Sec. 683.0711. MUNICIPAL REQUIREMENTS. An ordinance
1-15 adopted by a governing body of a municipality may provide for a more
1-16 inclusive definition of a junked vehicle subject to regulation
1-17 under this subchapter.

1-18 SECTION 2. Section 683.072, Transportation Code, is amended
1-19 to read as follows:

1-20 Sec. 683.072. JUNKED VEHICLE DECLARED TO BE PUBLIC
1-21 NUISANCE. A junked vehicle, including a part of a junked vehicle,
1-22 that is visible at any time of the year from a public place or
1-23 public right-of-way:

1-24 (1) is detrimental to the safety and welfare of the
1-25 public;

1-26 (2) tends to reduce the value of private property;

1-27 (3) invites vandalism;

1-28 (4) creates a fire hazard;

1-29 (5) is an attractive nuisance creating a hazard to the
1-30 health and safety of minors;

1-31 (6) produces urban blight adverse to the maintenance
1-32 and continuing development of municipalities; and

1-33 (7) is a public nuisance.

1-34 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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