By: Riddle H.B. No. 1871

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the date for a sale of real property under a contract

3 lien.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 51.002(a), Property Code, is amended to

6 read as follows:

- 7 (a) A sale of real property under a power of sale conferred
- 8 by a deed of trust or other contract lien must be a public sale at
- 9 auction held between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. of the third [first] Tuesday
- 10 of a month. The sale must take place at the county courthouse in the
- 11 county in which the land is located, or if the property is located
- in more than one county, the sale may be made at the courthouse in
- 13 any county in which the property is located. The commissioners
- 14 court shall designate the area at the courthouse where the sales are
- to take place and shall record the designation in the real property
- 16 records of the county. The sale must occur in the designated area.
- 17 If no area is designated by the commissioners court, the notice of
- 18 sale must designate the area at the courthouse where the sale
- 19 covered by that notice is to take place, and the sale must occur in
- 20 that area.
- 21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003, and
- 22 applies only to a public sale notice of which is posted on or after
- 23 the effective date of this Act. A public sale notice of which is
- 24 posted before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law

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- 1 $\,$ in effect at the time the notice of sale was posted, and the former
- 2 law is continued in effect for that purpose.