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- 2 relating to the punishment for the offense of reckless discharge of
- 3 a firearm in certain municipalities.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 42.12(b), Penal Code, is amended to read
- 6 as follows:
- 7 (b) An offense under this section is a state jail felony.
- 8 Section 12.35(c)(1) does not apply to the punishment for an offense
- 9 under this section [Class A misdemeanor].
- 10 SECTION 2. (a) This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.
- 11 (b) The change in law made by this Act applies only to an
- 12 offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. For
- 13 purposes of this section, an offense is committed before the
- 14 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurs
- 15 before that date.
- 16 (c) An offense committed before the effective date of this
- 17 Act is covered by the law in effect when the offense was committed,
- and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.