

AN ACT

relating to the elements of the offense of harassment by persons in certain correctional facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 22.11, Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person commits an offense if the person, while imprisoned or confined in a secure correctional facility or a facility operated by or under contract with the Texas Youth Commission and with intent to harass, alarm, or annoy another person, causes the other person to contact the blood, seminal fluid, urine, or feces of the actor, ~~or~~ any other person, or an animal.

SECTION 2. (a) This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

(b) The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after September 1, 2003. An offense committed before September 1, 2003, is covered by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For the purposes of this subsection, an offense was committed before September 1, 2003, if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 729 passed the Senate on March 27, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 729 passed the House on May 16, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor