

1-1 By: Staples S.B. No. 729
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1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;
1-4 March 20, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,
1-5 Nays 0; March 20, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the elements of the offense of harassment by persons in
1-9 certain correctional facilities.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 22.11, Penal Code, is
1-12 amended to read as follows:

1-13 (a) A person commits an offense if the person, while
1-14 imprisoned or confined in a secure correctional facility or a
1-15 facility operated by or under contract with the Texas Youth
1-16 Commission and with intent to harass, alarm, or annoy another
1-17 person, causes the other person to contact the blood, seminal
1-18 fluid, urine, or feces of the actor, ~~or~~ any other person, or an
1-19 animal.

1-20 SECTION 2. (a) This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

1-21 (b) The change in law made by this Act applies only to an
1-22 offense committed on or after September 1, 2003. An offense
1-23 committed before September 1, 2003, is covered by the law in effect
1-24 when the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in
1-25 effect for that purpose. For the purposes of this subsection, an
1-26 offense was committed before September 1, 2003, if any element of
1-27 the offense occurred before that date.

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