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H.B. No. 2966

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the criminal penalty for violating certain statutes
3 enforceable by, or ordinances, rules, or regulations of, navigation
4 districts or port authorities.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 60.078, Water Code, is amended to read as
7 follows:

8 Sec. 60.078. PENALTIES. A violation of this subchapter or
9 of an ordinance, rule, or regulation adopted by a district under
10 this subchapter is a misdemeanor, and the commission may provide
11 for the punishment of the misdemeanor by a fine of not more than
12 \$500 [~~\$200~~] for each offense or violation.

13 SECTION 2. (a) The change in law made by this Act applies
14 only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this
15 Act. For purposes of this section, an offense is committed before
16 the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurs
17 before that date.

18 (b) An offense committed before the effective date of this
19 Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was
20 committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that
21 purpose.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 2 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.