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S.B. No. 298

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the creation of an offense involving the supervision of
3 a vehicle operator holding an instruction permit.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 521.222, Transportation Code, is amended
6 by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

7 (g) A person who occupies the seat in a vehicle by a holder
8 of an instruction permit commits an offense if, while the holder is
9 operating the vehicle, the person:

10 (1) sleeps;

11 (2) is intoxicated, as defined by Section 49.01, Penal
12 Code; or

13 (3) is engaged in an activity that prevents the person
14 from observing and responding to the actions of the operator.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.