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        COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 431
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                                   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
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                                            AN ACT
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        relating to the prosecution of the offense of criminal trespass on
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        certain property.
               BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
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               SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 30.05, Penal Code, is
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        means
        the following, if completely enclosed by a fence or other physical
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        barrier that is obviously designed to exclude intruders:
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                            (A)
                                  a chemical manufacturing facility;
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                                  a refinery;
an electrical power generating facility,
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        substation, or switching station;
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                            (D)
                                  a water intake structure or water treatment
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        facility;
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                                      natural gas transmission compressor
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        station;
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                                  a liquid natural gas terminal or storage
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        facility;
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                            (G)
                                      telecommunications
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        office; or
                                    port, railroad switching yard, trucking
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        terminal, or other freight transportation facility.
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               SECTION 2. Section 30.05, Penal Code, is amended
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        amending Subsection (d) and by adding Subsection (g) to read as
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        follows:
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                     An offense under Subsection (e) is a Class C misdemeanor
               (d)
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        unless it is committed in a habitation or unless the actor carries a
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        deadly weapon on or about the actor's person during the commission
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        of the offense, in which event it is a Class A misdemeanor.
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        offense under Subsection (a) is a Class B misdemeanor, except that
        the offense is a Class A misdemeanor if:
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                      (1)
                            the offense is committed:
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                            (A)
                                  in a habitation or a shelter center; [or]
                                  on a Superfund site; or
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                            (C)
                                  on or in a critical infrastructure facility;
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        or
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                           the actor carries a deadly weapon on or about his
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        person during the commission of the offense.
               (g) At the punishment stage of a trial in which the attorney
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        representing the state seeks the increase in punishment provided by Subsection (d)(1)(C), the defendant may raise the issue as to whether the defendant entered or remained on or in a critical
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        infrastructure facility as part of a lawful assembly or peaceful
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        and orderly petition for the redress of grievances, including an
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        assembly or petition addressing a labor dispute between an employer and employee. If the defendant proves the issue in the affirmative
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        by a preponderance of the evidence, the increase in punishment
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        provided by Subsection (d)(1)(C) does not apply.

SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only
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        to an offense committed on or after September 1, 2005. An offense committed before September 1, 2005, is covered by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in
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effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense

was committed before September 1, 2005, if any element of the

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offense was committed before that date.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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