

1-1 By: Keffer (Senate Sponsor - Averitt) H.B. No. 3464
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 23, 2009;
1-3 May 6, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural
1-4 Resources; May 23, 2009, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 23, 2009, sent to printer.)

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

1-8 relating to the enforcement of certain development regulations in a
1-9 justice court.

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

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 231.229(b), Local Government Code, is
1-12 amended to read as follows:

1-13 (b) A person commits an offense if the person violates this
1-14 subchapter or an order or development regulation adopted under this
1-15 subchapter. An offense under this subsection is a misdemeanor
1-16 punishable by a fine of not less than \$500 or more than \$1,000. Each
1-17 day that a violation occurs constitutes a separate offense. Trial
1-18 shall be in the justice [~~district~~] court.

1-19 SECTION 2. Section 231.229, Local Government Code, as
1-20 amended by this Act, applies to an offense committed on or after the
1-21 effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the
1-22 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the
1-23 offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for
1-24 that purpose.

1-25 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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