

1-1 By: Watson S.B. No. 1028
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1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1028 By: Watson

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the offense of operating or riding in a passenger
1-11 vehicle while not secured by a safety belt.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 545.413, Transportation
1-14 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-15 (a) A person commits an offense if:

1-16 (1) the person:

1-17 (A) is at least 15 years of age;

1-18 (B) is riding in [~~the front seat of~~] a passenger
1-19 vehicle while the vehicle is being operated;

1-20 (C) is occupying a seat that is equipped with a
1-21 safety belt; and

1-22 (D) is not secured by a safety belt; or

1-23 (2) as the operator of a school bus equipped with a
1-24 safety belt for the operator's seat, the person is not secured by
1-25 the safety belt.

1-26 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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