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H.B. No. 515

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the determination that certain criminal offenses
3 involve family violence.

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

5 SECTION 1. Article 42.013, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Art. 42.013. FINDING OF FAMILY VIOLENCE. In the trial of an
8 offense under Title 5, Penal Code, if the trier of fact [~~court~~]
9 determines that the offense involved family violence, as defined by
10 Section 71.004, Family Code, the court shall make an affirmative
11 finding of that fact and enter the affirmative finding in the
12 judgment of the case.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.