

By: Fletcher, Riddle, Kleinschmidt, Gallego,
Bohac, et al.

H.B. No. 718

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the period in which a person commits the offense of
funeral service disruption.

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

SECTION 1. Section 42.055(b), Penal Code, is amended to
read as follows:

(b) A person commits an offense if, during the period
beginning three hours [~~one hour~~] before the service begins and
ending three hours [~~one hour~~] after the service is completed, the
person engages in picketing within 1,000 feet of a facility or
cemetery being used for a funeral service.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
before that date.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.