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H.B. No. 959

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to transportation of loose materials.

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

SECTION 1. Section 725.021(c), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The [~~Except as provided by Subsection (e), the~~] load shall be covered and the covering firmly secured at the front and back, unless the load

[~~(1)~~] is completely enclosed by the load-carrying compartment [~~+~~ ~~or~~

[~~(2) does not blow from or spill over the top of the load-carrying compartment~~].

SECTION 2. Section 725.021(e), Transportation Code, is repealed.

SECTION 3. (a) The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. For purposes of this section, an offense is committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurs before that date.

(b) An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.