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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to creating the offense of altering a disabled parking
- 3 placard.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 681.0111, Transportation
- 6 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 681.0111. MANUFACTURE, SALE, POSSESSION, OR USE OF
- 8 COUNTERFEIT OR ALTERED PLACARD.
- 9 SECTION 2. Sections 681.0111(a) and (b), Transportation
- 10 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 11 (a) A person commits an offense if, without the department's
- 12 authorization, the person:
- 13 <u>(1)</u> manufactures, sells, or possesses a placard that
- 14 is deceptively similar to a disabled parking placard; or
- 15 (2) alters a genuine disabled parking placard.
- 16 (b) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly
- 17 parks a vehicle displaying a counterfeit or altered placard in a
- 18 parking space or area designated specifically for persons with
- 19 disabilities.
- 20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.