By: Phillips, Murphy H.B. No. 1523

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1523:

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the offense of transporting household goods without

- 3 registration; providing a penalty.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Sections 643.253(b) and (e), Transportation
- 6 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 7 (b) A person commits an offense if the person <u>engages in or</u>
- 8 solicits the transportation of household goods for compensation and
- 9 is not registered as required by Subchapter B.
- 10 (e) An offense under Subsection (b) is a <u>Class C</u>
- 11 misdemeanor, except that the offense is:
- 12 (1) a Class B misdemeanor if the person has previously
- 13 been convicted one time of an offense under Subsection (b); and
- 14 (2) a Class A misdemeanor if the person has previously
- 15 been convicted two or more times of an offense under Subsection (b)
- 16 [punishable by a fine of not less than \$200 or more than \$1,000 per
- 17 violation].
- 18 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 19 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 20 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
- 21 covered by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and the
- 22 former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of
- 23 this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of
- 24 this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

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