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S.B. No. 583

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the criminal penalty for failure of a trustee to pay the
3 beneficiaries of the trust the purchase price for timber sold by the
4 trustee.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 151.105(d), Natural Resources Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (d) An offense under this section is:

9 (1) a state jail felony if it is shown on the trial of
10 the offense that the value of the timber sold is at least \$500 but
11 less than \$20,000;

12 (2) a felony of the third degree if it is shown on the
13 trial of the offense that the value of the timber sold is at least
14 \$20,000 but less than \$100,000;

15 (3) a felony of the second degree if it is shown on the
16 trial of the offense that the value of the timber sold is at least
17 \$100,000 but less than \$200,000; or

18 (4) a felony of the first degree if it is shown on the
19 trial of the offense that the value of the timber sold is at least
20 \$200,000.

21 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
22 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
23 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
24 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was

1 committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that
2 purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was committed
3 before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense
4 occurred before that date.

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