

1-1 By: Shapiro S.B. No. 1376  
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1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland  
1-4 Security; April 18, 2011, reported favorably by the following  
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1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to prohibiting the sale and use of certain radar  
1-9 interference devices; creating an offense.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Subchapter K, Chapter 547, Transportation Code,  
1-12 is amended by adding Section 547.616 to read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 547.616. RADAR INTERFERENCE DEVICES; OFFENSE. (a) In  
1-14 this section, "radar interference device" means a device, a  
1-15 mechanism, an instrument, or equipment that is designed,  
1-16 manufactured, used, or intended to be used to interfere with,  
1-17 scramble, disrupt, or otherwise cause to malfunction a radar or  
1-18 laser device used to measure the speed of a motor vehicle by a law  
1-19 enforcement agency of this state or a political subdivision of this  
1-20 state, including a "radar jamming device," "jammer," "scrambler,"  
1-21 or "diffuser." The term does not include a ham radio, band radio,  
1-22 or similar electronic device.

1-23 (b) A person, other than a law enforcement officer in the  
1-24 discharge of the officer's official duties, may not use, attempt to  
1-25 use, install, operate, or attempt to operate a radar interference  
1-26 device in a motor vehicle operated by the person.

1-27 (c) A person may not purchase, sell, or offer for sale a  
1-28 radar interference device to be used in a manner described by  
1-29 Subsection (b).

1-30 (d) A person who violates this section commits an  
1-31 offense. An offense under this subsection is a Class C  
1-32 misdemeanor.

1-33 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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