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H.B. No. 248

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

## AN ACT

2 relating to the regulation of automotive wrecking and salvage yards 3 in certain counties.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 397.011, Transportation Code, is amended 6 to read as follows:

Sec. 397.011. LOCATION OF YARD. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), an automotive wrecking and salvage yard may not be established within <u>600</u> [<del>300</del>] feet of an existing church, school, or residence. The distance is measured beginning at the wall of the church, school, or residence that is closest to the yard and ending at the fence required by this chapter.

(b) An automotive wrecking and salvage yard may be established within <u>600</u> [<del>300</del>] feet of a residence if the same person owns the residence and the yard.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only 16 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. 17 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is 18 governed by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and 19 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. 20 For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the 21 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense was 22 23 committed before that date.

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SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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