By: Hernandez Luna H.B. No. 494

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 494:

By: Perez C.S.H.B. No. 494

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the period during which an employee may file a claim for
- 3 unpaid wages with the Texas Workforce Commission.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 61.051(c), Labor Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 (c) A wage claim must be filed not later than the $\underline{\text{first}}$
- 8 anniversary of [180th day after] the date the wages claimed became
- 9 due for payment. The filing $[\frac{180-day}{}]$ deadline is a matter of
- 10 jurisdiction.
- 11 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Section
- 12 61.051, Labor Code, applies to a wage claim filed under Subchapter
- 13 D, Chapter 61, Labor Code, for wages that become due for payment on
- 14 or after March 5, 2013. A wage claim for wages that became due for
- 15 payment before that date is governed by the law in effect
- 16 immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the former
- 17 law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- 18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.