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H.B. No. 1216

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the penalty for the offense of reckless driving.

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

4 SECTION 1. Section 545.401(b), Transportation Code, is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 (b) An offense under this section is a misdemeanor
7 punishable by:

8 (1) a fine not to exceed \$1,000 [~~\$200~~];

9 (2) confinement in county jail for not more than 90
10 [~~30~~] days; or

11 (3) both the fine and the confinement.

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

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