By: Wu H.B. No. 2228

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the applicability of the exception to prosecution for
- 3 the offense of abandoning or endangering a child.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 22.041(h), Penal Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 (h) It is an exception to the application of <u>Subsection (b)</u>
- 8 [this section] that the actor voluntarily delivered the child to a
- 9 designated emergency infant care provider under Section 262.302,
- 10 Family Code.
- 11 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 12 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 13 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
- 14 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
- 15 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
- 16 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
- 17 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
- 18 before that date.
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.