

AN ACT

relating to the regulation of automotive wrecking and salvage yards in certain counties; increasing the civil penalty.

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

SECTION 1. Section 397.0125(a), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In addition to the penalty provided by Section 397.012, a person who operates an automotive wrecking and salvage yard in violation of this chapter is liable for a civil penalty of not less than \$500 or more than \$5,000 [~~\$1,000~~] for each violation. A separate penalty may be imposed for each day a continuing violation occurs.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a violation of Chapter 397, Transportation Code, that occurs on or after the effective date of this Act. A violation of that chapter that occurred before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the violation occurred, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3085 was passed by the House on May 2, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 132, Nays 15, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3085 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor