

1-1 By: Watson, Davis S.B. No. 275
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 28, 2013; February 5, 2013,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;
 1-4 March 20, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5,
 1-5 Nays 0; March 20, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Whitmire	X			
1-8 Huffman	X			
1-9 Carona			X	
1-10 Hinojosa	X			
1-11 Patrick			X	
1-12 Rodriguez	X			
1-13 Schwertner	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the penalty for the offense of leaving the scene of an
 1-18 accident that involves personal injury or death.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Subsection (c), Section 550.021, Transportation
 1-21 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-22 (c) A person commits an offense if the person does not stop
 1-23 or does not comply with the requirements of this section. An
 1-24 offense under this section:

1-25 (1) involving an accident resulting in:

1-26 (A) death of a person is a felony of the second
 1-27 degree; or

1-28 (B) serious bodily injury, as defined by Section
 1-29 1.07, Penal Code, to a person is a felony of the third degree; and

1-30 (2) involving an accident resulting in injury to which
 1-31 Subdivision (1) does not apply is punishable by:

1-32 (A) imprisonment in the Texas Department of
 1-33 Criminal Justice for not more than five years or confinement in the
 1-34 county jail for not more than one year;

1-35 (B) a fine not to exceed \$5,000; or

1-36 (C) both the fine and the imprisonment or
 1-37 confinement.

1-38 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
 1-39 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
 1-40 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
 1-41 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
 1-42 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
 1-43 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
 1-44 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
 1-45 before that date.

1-46 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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