

1-1 By: Uresti S.B. No. 1757  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 8, 2013; March 25, 2013, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;  
 1-4 April 22, 2013, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; April 22, 2013,  
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
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1-13	X			
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1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1757 By: Rodriguez

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the manufacture, sale, distribution, purchase, or  
 1-20 possession of a license plate flipper; creating an offense.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Subchapter L, Chapter 504, Transportation Code,  
 1-23 is amended by adding Section 504.946 to read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 504.946. LICENSE PLATE FLIPPER; OFFENSE. (a) In this  
 1-25 section, "license plate flipper" means a manual, electronic, or  
 1-26 mechanical device designed or adapted to be installed on a motor  
 1-27 vehicle and:

1-28 (1) switch between two or more license plates for the  
 1-29 purpose of allowing a motor vehicle operator to change the license  
 1-30 plate displayed on the operator's vehicle; or

1-31 (2) hide a license plate from view by flipping the  
 1-32 license plate so that the license plate number is not visible.

1-33 (b) A person commits an offense if the person with criminal  
 1-34 negligence purchases or possesses a license plate flipper. An  
 1-35 offense under this subsection is a Class B misdemeanor.

1-36 (c) A person commits an offense if the person with criminal  
 1-37 negligence manufactures, sells, offers to sell, or otherwise  
 1-38 distributes a license plate flipper. An offense under this  
 1-39 subsection is a Class A misdemeanor.

1-40 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-41 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-42 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-43 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 1-44 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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