By: White of Tyler H.B. No. 110

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the punishment by confinement for contempt of court for

failure to obey a court order related to truancy.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 25.094, Education Code, is amended by

adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

7 (h) Notwithstanding any other law, an individual found in

8 contempt of court, or adjudicated to have engaged in delinquent

9 conduct that would constitute contempt of court, for failure to

obey a court order related to an offense under Subsection (a) may

11 not be punished for the contempt or delinquent conduct by

12 confinement in jail or detention in a juvenile detention facility.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only

14 to conduct that would constitute contempt of court that occurs on or

15 after the effective date of this Act. Conduct that would constitute

16 contempt of court that occurred before the effective date of this

17 Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the conduct

18 occurred, and the former law is continued in effect for that

19 purpose. For purposes of this section, conduct occurred before the

20 effective date of this Act if any element of the conduct occurred

21 before that date.

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22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.