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H.B. No. 691

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the regulation of automotive wrecking and salvage yards  
3 in certain counties; increasing the civil penalty.

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

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

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

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

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