By: Longoria H.B. No. 713

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to the forfeiture of property used to facilitate or
3	intended to be used to facilitate the commission of certain
4	misdemeanor prostitution offenses.
5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
6	SECTION 1. Article 59.01(2), Code of Criminal Procedure, as
7	amended by Chapters 427 (S.B. 529) and 1357 (S.B. 1451), Acts of the
8	83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, is reenacted and amended
9	to read as follows:
10	(2) "Contraband" means property of any nature,
11	including real, personal, tangible, or intangible, that is:
12	(A) used in the commission of:
13	(i) any first or second degree felony under
14	the Penal Code;
15	(ii) any felony under Section 15.031(b),
16	20.05, 21.11, 38.04, or Chapter 43, 20A, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 33A, or
17	35, Penal Code;
18	(iii) any felony under The Securities Act
19	(Article 581-1 et seq., Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); or
20	(iv) any offense under Chapter 49, Penal
21	Code, that is punishable as a felony of the third degree or state
22	jail felony, if the defendant has been previously convicted three

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times of an offense under that chapter;

(B) used or intended to be used in the commission

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   of:
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                          (i)
                             any felony under Chapter 481, Health
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   and Safety Code (Texas Controlled Substances Act);
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                          (ii) any felony under Chapter 483, Health
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   and Safety Code;
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                          (iii) a felony under Chapter 151, Finance
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   Code;
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                          (iv) any felony under Chapter 34, Penal
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   Code;
                          (v) a Class A misdemeanor under Subchapter
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   B, Chapter 365, Health and Safety Code, if the defendant has been
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   previously convicted twice of an offense under that subchapter;
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                          (vi) any felony under Chapter 32, Human
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   Resources Code, or Chapter 31, 32, 35A, or 37, Penal Code, that
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   involves the state Medicaid program;
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                          (vii) a Class B misdemeanor under Chapter
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   522, Business & Commerce Code;
                          (viii) a Class A misdemeanor under Section
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   306.051, Business & Commerce Code;
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                          (ix) any offense under Section 42.10, Penal
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   Code;
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                             any offense under Section 46.06(a)(1)
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   or 46.14, Penal Code;
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                          (xi) any offense under Chapter 71, Penal
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   Code;
                          (xii) any offense under Section 20.05,
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   Penal Code; or
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                          (xiii) [(xiv)] an offense under
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   326.002, Business & Commerce Code;
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                        the proceeds gained from the commission of a
   felony listed in Paragraph (A) or (B) of this subdivision, a
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   misdemeanor listed in Paragraph (B)(vii), (ix), (x), or (xi) of
   this subdivision, or a crime of violence;
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                    (D)
                         acquired with proceeds gained
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   commission of a felony listed in Paragraph (A) or (B) of this
   subdivision, a misdemeanor listed in Paragraph (B)(vii), (ix), (x),
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   or (xi) of this subdivision, or a crime of violence; or
                        used to facilitate or intended to be used to
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   facilitate the commission of:
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                         (i) a felony under
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    [43.25, Penal Code; or
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                    [(F) used to facilitate or intended to be used to
   facilitate the commission of a felony under Section] 20A.02 or
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   Chapter 43, Penal Code; or
                          (ii) a misdemeanor under Section 43.02 or
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   43.03, Penal Code.
          SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
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   to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
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   An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
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   governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
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purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the

effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred

and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

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before that date.

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- 1 SECTION 3. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
- 2 over another Act of the 84th Legislature, Regular Session, 2015,
- 3 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
- 4 codes.
- 5 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.