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H.B. No. 1190

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the compensation of property owners whose property is
3 damaged as a result of a pursuit involving a federal law enforcement
4 agency.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 683.015(f), Transportation Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (f) A law enforcement agency or an attorney representing the
9 state may use funds transferred under Subsection (d) to compensate
10 property owners whose property was damaged as a result of a pursuit
11 involving a law enforcement agency or a federal law enforcement
12 agency, regardless of whether the agency would be liable under
13 Chapter 101, Civil Practice and Remedies Code.

14 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
15 to property damage occurring on or after the effective date of this
16 Act. Property damage occurring before the effective date of this
17 Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the damage
18 occurred, and the former law is continued in effect for that
19 purpose.

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
24 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.