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H.B. No. 714

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 714:

By: Alvarado C.S.H.B. No. 714

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the civil prosecution of offenses involving certain
- 3 municipal parking ordinances; authorizing a civil fine.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 601.001, Local Government Code, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 601.001. PARKING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. (a) A
- 8 municipality by ordinance may regulate the parking of motor
- 9 vehicles on private property and may enforce the ordinance in the
- 10 same manner that it enforces ordinances regulating parking in
- 11 public no-parking zones, including the impoundment of offending
- 12 vehicles.
- (b) As provided by Chapter 682, Transportation Code, a
- 14 municipality with a population of 1.9 million or more may:
- 15 (1) declare the violation of a municipal ordinance
- 16 relating to the parking of an unattended motor vehicle in the front
- 17 or side yard of a single-family residence in a residential area to
- 18 be a civil offense; and
- 19 (2) by ordinance establish an administrative
- 20 adjudication hearing procedure under which a civil fine may be
- 21 imposed.
- 22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.