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H.B. No. 1110

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to increasing the punishment for assault committed against  
3 certain sports participants.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 22.01(c), Penal Code, is amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 (c) An offense under Subsection (a)(2) or (3) is a Class C  
8 misdemeanor, except that the offense is:

9 (1) a Class A misdemeanor if the offense is committed  
10 under Subsection (a)(3) against an elderly individual or disabled  
11 individual, as those terms are defined by Section 22.04; or

12 (2) a Class B misdemeanor if the offense is committed  
13 by any [a] person, other than [who is not] a sports participant who  
14 is an athlete younger than 19 years of age, against another [a]  
15 person the actor knows is a sports participant either:

16 (A) while the participant is performing duties or  
17 responsibilities in the participant's capacity as a sports  
18 participant; or

19 (B) in retaliation for or on account of the  
20 participant's performance of a duty or responsibility within the  
21 participant's capacity as a sports participant.

22 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
23 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.  
24 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is

1 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,  
2 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For  
3 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the  
4 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred  
5 before that date.

6 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.