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H.B. No. 1791

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the use of connected braking systems to maintain  
3 distance between vehicles.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 545.062, Transportation Code, is amended  
6 by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

7 (d) An operator of a vehicle equipped with a connected  
8 braking system that is following another vehicle equipped with that  
9 system may be assisted by the system to maintain an assured clear  
10 distance or sufficient space as required by this section. In this  
11 subsection, "connected braking system" means a system by which the  
12 braking of one vehicle is electronically coordinated with the  
13 braking system of a following vehicle.

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.