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S.B. No. 280

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the prosecution of the offense of criminal trespass.

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

SECTION 1. Section 30.05(a), Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person commits an offense if the person enters or remains on or in property of another, including residential land, agricultural land, a recreational vehicle park, a building, or an aircraft or other vehicle, without effective consent and the person:

(1) had notice that the entry was forbidden; ~~or~~

(2) received notice to depart but failed to do so; or

(3) is not a citizen or national of the United States and is unlawfully present in the United States according to the terms of 8 U.S.C. Section 1101 et seq.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose. For the purposes of this section, an offense is committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurs before that date.

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