By: Birdwell (Geren) S.B. No. 524

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT 2 relating to increasing the punishment for the offense of abuse of a 3 corpse. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 SECTION 1. Section 42.08(b), Penal Code, is amended to read 6 as follows: 7 (b) An offense under this section is a state jail felony, except that an offense under Subsection (a)(5) is a Class A 8 misdemeanor. 9 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only 10 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. 11 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is 12 13 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. 14 For 15 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred 16 before that date. 17 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017. 18

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