By: Hughes S.B. No. 1044

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the suspension of a driver's license issued to a person
- 3 who fails to pay an administrative penalty imposed by the Texas
- 4 Funeral Service Commission.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 651.551(a), Occupations Code, is amended
- 7 to read as follows:
- 8 (a) The commission may assess an administrative penalty
- 9 against a person, regardless of whether the person holds a license
- 10 issued [regulated] under this chapter, if the commission determines
- 11 that the person has violated this chapter or a rule adopted under
- 12 this chapter.
- SECTION 2. Section 651.556, Occupations Code, is amended to
- 14 read as follows:
- 15 Sec. 651.556. COLLECTION OF PENALTY. (a) On the
- 16 commission's request, the attorney general shall bring a civil
- 17 action to recover an administrative penalty owed under this
- 18 chapter.
- 19 (b) The commission may, in addition to making a request
- 20 under Subsection (a), notify the Department of Public Safety that a
- 21 person owes an administrative penalty imposed under this chapter
- 22 and that the person failed to pay the penalty when due. On receipt
- 23 of notice from the commission, the department shall suspend a
- 24 driver's license issued by the department to the person who is the

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- 1 <u>subject of the notice</u>. The commission shall notify the department
- 2 after the person pays the penalty and the department shall
- 3 <u>reinstate the person's driver's license.</u>
- 4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.