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By:  Watson S.B. No. 989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a mandatory term of confinement for defendants placed on community supervision for the criminal offense of leaving the scene of a motor vehicle accident resulting in the death of a person.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter K, Chapter 42A, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Article 42A.515 to read as follows:

Art. 42A.515.  COMMUNITY SUPERVISION FOR LEAVING SCENE OF MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT RESULTING IN DEATH OF PERSON. (a)  A judge granting community supervision to a defendant convicted of an offense punishable under Section 550.021(c)(1)(A), Transportation Code, shall require as a condition of community supervision that the defendant submit to a term of confinement of not less than 120 days.

(b)  If a sentence of confinement is imposed on the revocation of community supervision, the term of confinement served under Subsection (a) may not be credited toward completion of the sentence imposed.

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

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.