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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to whom certain violations of the law by a state or local governmental entity may be reported.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 554.002(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  A state or local governmental entity may not suspend or terminate the employment of, or take other adverse personnel action against, a public employee who in good faith reports a violation of law by the employing governmental entity or another public employee to:

(1)  the reporting employee's supervisor at the employing governmental entity;

(2)  an individual or office designated by the employing governmental entity as the appropriate individual or office for reporting such grievances;

(3)  a member of the human resources staff of the employing governmental entity; or

(4)  an appropriate law enforcement authority.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.