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H.B. No. 1859

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to a landlord's obligation to rekey a security device for a  
3 dwelling.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 92.156(a), Property Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (a) Except as otherwise provided by Subsection (e), a  
8 security device operated by a key, card, or combination shall be  
9 rekeyed by the landlord at the landlord's expense before [~~not later~~  
10 ~~than the seventh day after~~] each tenant turnover date.

11 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
12 a lease entered into or renewed on or after the effective date of  
13 this Act. A lease entered into or renewed before the effective date  
14 of this Act is governed by the law as it existed immediately before  
15 the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect  
16 for that purpose.

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