

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the liability of a landlord for damages resulting from
3 the execution of a writ of possession in an eviction suit.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 24.0061, Property Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (i) to read as follows:

7 (i) A landlord is not liable for damages to the tenant
8 resulting from the execution of a writ of possession by an officer
9 under this section.

10 SECTION 2. Section 24.0061(i), Property Code, as added by
11 this Act, applies only to the execution of a writ of possession
12 issued in an eviction suit filed on or after the effective date of
13 this Act. Execution of a writ of possession issued in an eviction
14 suit filed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the
15 law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and
16 that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

17 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 900 was passed by the House on April 16, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 900 on May 27, 2021, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 900 on May 30, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 7, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

H.B. No. 900

I certify that H.B. No. 900 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 2; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 900 on May 29, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor