By: Moody, Murr

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to the prohibited suspension of a provision of the Code of Criminal Procedure or Penal Code during a declared state of 3 4 disaster. 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Section 418.012, Government Code, is amended to 6 7 read as follows: (a) Under this chapter, 8 Sec. 418.012. EXECUTIVE ORDERS. 9 the governor may issue executive orders, proclamations, and 10 regulations and amend or rescind them. Executive orders, proclamations, and regulations have the force and effect of law. 11 12 (b) An executive order, proclamation, or regulation issued by the governor under this chapter may not suspend a provision in 13 the Code of Criminal Procedure or Penal Code. 14 SECTION 2. Section 418.012, Government Code, as amended by 15 16 this Act, applies only to a declaration of a state of disaster issued or renewed on or after the effective date of this Act. A 17 declaration issued before the effective date of this Act is 18 governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date 19 of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose. 20 21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.