By: Nelson, et al. S.B. No. 2222

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to certain equipment provided for use by the officers of

3 the Texas Highway Patrol.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 411, Government Code, is

6 amended by adding Section 411.033 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 411.033. CERTAIN EQUIPMENT FOR VEHICLES. The

8 department shall equip all motor vehicles used by officers of the

9 Texas Highway Patrol in discharging the officers' official duties

10 with bullet-resistant windshields.

11 SECTION 2. The Department of Public Safety is required to

12 implement a provision of this Act only if the legislature

13 appropriates money specifically for that purpose. If the

14 legislature does not appropriate money specifically for that

15 purpose, the Department of Public Safety may, but is not required

16 to, implement a provision of this Act using other appropriations

17 available for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

22 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.