By: Troxclair H.B. No. 552

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 2 relating to repealing the affirmative defense to prosecution for
- 3 the criminal offense of sale, distribution, or display of harmful
- 4 material to a minor.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 43.24(c), Penal Code, is repealed.
- 7 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 8 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 9 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
- 10 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
- 11 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
- 12 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
- 13 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
- 14 before that date.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.