H.B. No. 842

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

## AN ACT

2 relating to prohibiting the extension of the period of a driver's 3 license suspension for certain driving while license invalid 4 convictions.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 521.343, Transportation Code, is amended 7 by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d) to read as 8 follows:

9 (c) Except as provided by Subsection (d), if [Iff] the 10 license holder is convicted of operating a motor vehicle while the 11 license to operate a motor vehicle is cancelled, disqualified, 12 suspended, revoked, or denied, the period is extended for the same 13 term as the original suspension or disqualification, in addition to 14 any penalty assessed under this chapter or Chapter 522.

15 (d) The department may not extend the period a person's 16 driver's license is suspended under Subsection (c) for a conviction 17 of an offense under Section 521.457 if:

18 <u>(1) the offense was committed before September 1,</u> 19 <u>2019; and</u>

20 (2) the person was convicted of the offense after 21 August 31, 2023.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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