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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT 2 relating to the criminal penalty for the offense of the unauthorized reproduction, purchase, use, sale, or possession of a 3 temporary tag; creating a criminal offense; increasing criminal 4 5 penalties. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 6 7 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 503.067, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows: 8 Sec. 503.067. UNAUTHORIZED REPRODUCTION, PURCHASE, USE, 9 [OR] SALE, OR POSSESSION OF TEMPORARY TAGS. 10 11 SECTION 2. Section 503.067, Transportation Code, is amended 12 by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows: (a-1) A person may not possess an unauthorized temporary 13 14 tag. SECTION 3. Section 503.094(d), Transportation Code, 15 is amended to read as follows: 16 (d) An offense involving a violation of: 17 Section <u>503.067(c)</u> [503.067(b) or (c)] is a Class 18 (1) C misdemeanor; 19 Section <u>503.067(a-1) or (b)</u> [503.067(d)] is a 20 (2) 21 Class A misdemeanor; 22 (3) [Section 503.067(a) is a state jail felony; and 23 [(4)] Section 503.067(b) or $[\tau]$ (c) $[\tau or (d)]$ is a 24 state jail felony if the person who committed the offense

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criminally conspired to engage in organized criminal activity; and
(4) Section 503.067(a) or (d) is a felony of the third

3 <u>degree</u>.

4 SECTION 4. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. 5 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is 6 governed by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and 7 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. 8 For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the 9 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred 10 before that date. 11

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SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.