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H.B. No. 3747

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the criminal penalty for the offense of the
3 unauthorized reproduction, purchase, use, or sale of a temporary
4 tag.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 503.067(a), Transportation Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (a) A person may not produce, ~~[or]~~ reproduce, or possess a
9 temporary tag or an item represented to be a temporary tag for the
10 purpose of distributing the tag to someone other than a dealer or
11 converter.

12 SECTION 2. Section 503.094(d), Transportation Code, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 (d) An offense involving a violation of:

15 (1) Section 503.067(c) [~~503.067(b) or (c)~~] is a Class
16 C misdemeanor;

17 (2) Section 503.067(d) is a Class A misdemeanor;

18 (3) [~~Section 503.067(a) is a state jail felony; and~~

19 [~~(4)~~] Section 503.067(c) [~~503.067(b), (c),~~] or (d) is
20 a state jail felony if the person who committed the offense
21 criminally conspired to engage in organized criminal activity; and
22 (4) Section 503.067(a) or (b) is a felony of the third
23 degree.

24 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only

1 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
2 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
3 governed by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and
4 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
5 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
6 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
7 before that date.

8 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.