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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to vehicle monitoring technology installed on certain motor vehicles. 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 4 SECTION 1. Subchapter N, Chapter 2301, Occupations Code, is 5 amended by adding Section 2301.655 to read as follows: 6 7 Sec. 2301.655. VEHICLE MONITORING TECHNOLOGY. (a) In this section: 8 (1) "Light truck" and "passenger car" have the 9 meanings assigned by Section 541.201, Transportation Code. 10 (2) "Vehicle monitoring technology" means any 11 12 application or device, including software, firmware, or hardware, that, when activated or engaged, monitors the operator or operation 13 of a motor vehicle on which it is installed. 14 (b) The board may take an action described by Section 15 16 2301.651 against a license holder under this chapter who: (1) manufactures, distributes, or possesses with 17 intent to distribute vehicle monitoring technology that is: 18 (A) installed or intended to be installed on a 19 light truck or passenger car; and 20 21 (B) not capable of being deactivated or disengaged by the vehicle's operator; 22 23 (2) installs on a light truck or passenger car vehicle monitoring technology that is not capable of being deactivated or 24

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1 disengaged by the vehicle's operator; or

2 (3) sells a light truck or passenger car on which has 3 been installed vehicle monitoring technology that is not capable of 4 being deactivated or disengaged by the vehicle's operator.

5 SECTION 2. Section 2301.655, Occupations Code, as added by 6 this Act, applies only to disciplinary action under Section 7 2301.651, Occupations Code, against a license holder for conduct 8 that occurs on or after the effective date of this Act.

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SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.