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H.B. No. 214

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the prosecution of the criminal offenses of firearm and ammunition smuggling and terrorism.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Section 46.14, Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 46.14. FIREARM AND AMMUNITION SMUGGLING.

SECTION 2. Section 46.14(a), Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly engages in the business of transporting or transferring a firearm or ammunition for a firearm that the person knows was acquired in violation of the laws of any state or of the United States. For purposes of this subsection, a person is considered to engage in the business of transporting or transferring a firearm or ammunition for a firearm if the person engages in that conduct:

(1) on more than one occasion; or

(2) for profit or any other form of remuneration.

SECTION 3. Section 76.02(a), Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person commits an offense if the person:

(1) commits or conspires to commit an offense under:

(A) Chapter 16;

(B) Chapter 19;

1            (C) [~~(B)~~] Section 20.02;  
2            (D) [~~(C)~~] Section 20.03;  
3            (E) Section 20.04;  
4            (F) Section 20.05;  
5            (G) Section 20.06;  
6            (H) [~~(D)~~] Section 20A.02;  
7            (I) [~~(E)~~] Section 22.02;  
8            (J) [~~(F)~~] Section 22.021;  
9            (K) [~~(G)~~] Section 22.05, if punishable as a  
10 felony;  
11           (L) [~~(H)~~] Section 22.07, if punishable as a  
12 felony;  
13           (M) [~~(I)~~] Section 22.09;  
14           (N) Section 22.11;  
15           (O) [~~(J)~~] Section 28.02;  
16           (P) Section 28.03;  
17           (Q) [~~(K)~~] Section 28.07, if punishable as a  
18 felony;  
19           (R) [~~(L)~~] Section 29.03;  
20           (S) Section 30.05;  
21           (T) Section 32.43;  
22           (U) Section 32.51;  
23           (V) Section 33.02;  
24           (W) Chapter 33A;  
25           (X) Section 37.11;  
26           (Y) Section 37.12;  
27           (Z) Section 38.05;

- 1                    (AA) Section 38.14;
- 2                    (BB) [~~(M)~~] Section 38.152, if punishable as a
- 3 felony; [~~or~~]
- 4                    (CC) Section 42.062;
- 5                    (DD) Section 42.14;
- 6                    (EE) Section 46.05;
- 7                    (FF) [~~(N)~~] Section 46.08;
- 8                    (GG) Section 46.09;
- 9                    (HH) Section 46.14;
- 10                   (II) Section 50.02; or
- 11                   (JJ) Section 71.02; and

12                    (2) commits or conspires to commit that offense with

13 the intent to:

- 14                    (A) intimidate or coerce the public or a
- 15 substantial group of the public; or
- 16                    (B) influence, by intimidation or coercion, the
- 17 policy, conduct, or activities of this state, a political
- 18 subdivision of this state, or the United States.

19                    SECTION 4. The change in law made by this Act applies only

20 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.

21 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is

22 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,

23 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For

24 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the

25 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred

26 before that date.

27                    SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.