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H.B. No. 1232

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the reporting of violations of law under the
- 3 whistleblower protection laws.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 554.002(a), Government Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (a) A state or local governmental entity may not suspend or
- 8 terminate the employment of, or take other adverse personnel action
- 9 against, a public employee who in good faith reports a violation of
- 10 law by the employing governmental entity, $[ext{or}]$ another public
- 11 employee, or an elected officer of the employing governmental
- 12 entity to an appropriate law enforcement authority.
- 13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 17 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.