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H.B. No. 1772

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the operation of vehicles at railroad grade crossings;
- 3 increasing a criminal penalty.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 545.251(f), Transportation Code, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 (f) An offense under this section is punishable by a fine of
- 8 not less than \$50 or more than \$200, except that the offense is
- 9 punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 or more than \$400 if it is
- 10 shown on the trial of the offense that the operator disregarded a
- 11 warning given by a flagger under Subsection (a)(2).
- 12 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 13 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 14 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
- 15 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
- 16 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
- 17 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
- 18 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
- 19 before that date.
- 20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.