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H.B. No. 1772

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the operation of vehicles at railroad grade crossings;
increasing a criminal penalty.

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

SECTION 1. Section 545.251(f), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(f) An offense under this section is punishable by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$200, except that the offense is punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 or more than \$400 if it is shown on the trial of the offense that the operator disregarded a warning given by a flagger under Subsection (a)(2).

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.