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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to the definition of short-barrel firearm for purposes of
- 3 certain criminal offenses.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 46.01, Penal Code, is amended by
- 6 amending Subdivision (10) to read as follows:
- 7 (10) "Short-barrel firearm" means a rifle with a
- 8 barrel length of less than 16 inches or a shotgun with a barrel
- 9 length of less than 18 inches, or any weapon made from a shotgun or
- 10 rifle if, as altered, it has an overall length of less than 26
- 11 inches. The term does not include a handgun equipped with a
- 12 stabilizing brace designed to assist a person with handling the
- 13 <u>handgun with one hand.</u>
- 14 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 15 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 16 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
- 17 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
- 18 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
- 19 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
- 20 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
- 21 before that date.
- 22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.