| 1-1<br>1-2<br>1-3<br>1-4<br>1-5<br>1-6 | & Commerce; May 22, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable  |
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| 1-7                                    | COMMITTEE VOTE  |
| 1-8                                    | Yea Nay Absent PNV  |
| 1-9                                    | Schwertner X  |
| 1-10                                   | King X  |
| 1-11                                   | Blanco X  |
| 1-12                                   | Campbell X  |
| 1-13                                   | Creighton X   |
| 1 <b>-</b> 14<br>1 <b>-</b> 15         | Johnson X<br>Kolkhorst X  |
| 1-15                                   | Menéndez X  |
| 1-17                                   | Middleton X   |
| 1-18                                   | Nichols X   |
| 1-19                                   | Zaffirini X   |
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| 1-20                                   | COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 3016 By: King   |
| 1-21                                   | A BILL TO BE ENTITLED   |
| 1-22                                   | AN ACT  |
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| 1-23                                   | relating to the circumstances in which a rental company may void a  |
| 1-24                                   | damage waiver for a rental vehicle.<br>BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:                                    |
| 1 <b>-</b> 25<br>1 <b>-</b> 26         | SECTION 1. Section 91.056, Business & Commerce Code, is   |
| 1-27                                   | amended to read as follows:   |
| 1-28                                   | Sec. 91.056. VOIDING OF DAMAGE WAIVER. A rental company may   |
| 1-29                                   | not void a damage waiver unless:  |
| 1-30                                   | (1) an authorized driver causes the damage  |
| 1-31                                   | intentionally or by wilful and wanton misconduct;   |
| 1-32                                   | (2) the damage arises out of use of the vehicle:  |
| 1-33                                   | (A) by a person:  |
| 1-34                                   | (i) who is not an authorized driver;  |
| 1-35                                   | (ii) while under the influence of an  |
| 1-36<br>1-37                           | intoxicant that impairs driving ability, including alcohol, an illegal drug, or a controlled substance; or                        |
| 1-38                                   | (iii) while engaged in commission of a  |
| 1-39                                   | crime other than a traffic infraction;  |
| 1-40                                   | (B) to carry persons or property for hire;  |
| 1-41                                   | (C) to push or tow anything;  |
| 1-42                                   | (D) for driver's training;  |
| 1-43                                   | <ul><li>(E) to engage in a speed contest; or</li></ul>  |
| 1-44                                   | (F) outside the continental United States,  |
| 1-45                                   | unless the rental agreement specifically authorizes the use; [or]   |
| 1-46                                   | (3) the rental company entered into the rental  |
| 1 <b>-</b> 47<br>1 <b>-</b> 48         | transaction based on fraudulent information supplied by the renter;   |
| 1-40<br>1 <b>-</b> 49                  | <u>or</u> (4) the vehicle is stolen and the renter fails to:  |
| 1-50                                   | (A) return the vehicle's ignition key to the  |
| 1-51                                   | rental company;   |
| 1-52                                   | (B) file a report with law enforcement not later  |
| 1-53                                   | than 24 hours after the renter discovers the theft; and   |
| 1-54                                   | (C) cooperate with the rental company and any law   |
| 1-55                                   | enforcement agency or other authority investigating the stolen  |
| 1-56                                   | vehicle in all matters relating to the investigation of the stolen  |
| 1-57                                   | vehicle.  |
| 1 <b>-</b> 58<br>1 <b>-</b> 59         | SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only<br>to an agreement entered into on or after the effective date of this |

1-60 Act. An agreement entered into before the effective date of this

C.S.H.B. No. 3016 2-1 Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the agreement was 2-2 entered into, and the former law is continued in effect for that 2-3 purpose. 2-4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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