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H.B. No. 3436

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the definition of a child for purposes of the offense of
3 making a firearm accessible to a child.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 46.13(a)(1), Penal Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) "Child" means a person younger than 18 [~~17~~] years
8 of age.

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

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