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S.B. No. 987

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the subject matter jurisdiction of the criminal trial
3 courts of this state over certain criminal actions.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 571.171, Government Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

7 (d) This section does not require the exhaustion of civil,
8 including administrative, remedies as a prerequisite to the vesting
9 in a trial court of subject matter jurisdiction over a criminal
10 action for which the trial court would otherwise have jurisdiction
11 under other law.

12 SECTION 2. This Act applies to a criminal action commenced
13 before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

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