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S.B. No. 1285

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the protection of bats.

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

4 SECTION 1. Sections 63.101(a) and (c), Parks and Wildlife
5 Code, are amended to read as follows:

8 (1) entomb or hunt a live bat; or

11 (c) This section does not apply to:

12 (1) an animal control officer, a peace officer, a
13 licensed pest control professional, or a health official who
14 captures a bat that the officer, professional, or official
15 considers injured or diseased; or

16 (2) a person who transports a bat for the purpose of:

21 [(3) a person who is licensed to provide pest co-

22 ~~services~~].

23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.