

AN ACT

relating to increasing the criminal penalty for the offense of stealing or receiving a stolen check or similar sight order.

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

SECTION 1. Section 32.24(b), Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) An offense under this section is a state jail felony [~~Class A misdemeanor~~].

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

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1451 passed the Senate on March 19, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 2.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1451 passed the House on May 23, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 96, Nays 39, three present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor