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H.B. No. 1190

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the compensation of property owners whose property is damaged as a result of a pursuit involving a federal law enforcement agency.

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

SECTION 1. Section 683.015(f), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(f) A law enforcement agency or an attorney representing the state may use funds transferred under Subsection (d) to compensate property owners whose property was damaged as a result of a pursuit involving a law enforcement agency or a federal law enforcement agency, regardless of whether the agency would be liable under Chapter 101, Civil Practice and Remedies Code.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to property damage occurring on or after the effective date of this Act. Property damage occurring before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the damage occurred, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.