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S.B. No. 391

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a defendant's obligation to pay a fine or court cost
3 after the expiration of a period of community supervision.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 11, Article 42.12, Code of Criminal
6 Procedure, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as
7 follows:

8 (b-1) A defendant's obligation to pay a fine or court cost
9 as ordered by a judge exists independently of any requirement to pay
10 the fine or court cost as a condition of the defendant's community
11 supervision. A defendant remains obligated to pay any unpaid fine
12 or court cost after the expiration of the defendant's period of
13 community supervision.

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.