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1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

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1-8	Huffman	Х			
1-9	Ellis	X			
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1-11	Creighton	X			
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-17 1-18 AN ACT

> relating to defenses and exceptions to the prosecution of the offense of the possession, manufacture, transport, criminal repair, or sale of certain prohibited explosive weapons, firearms, and related items.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 46.05(a) and (e), Penal Code, amended to read as follows:

(a) A person commits an offense if the person intentionally knowingly possesses, manufactures, transports, repairs, or sells:

any of the following items, unless the item is registered in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record maintained by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives or classified as a curio or relic by the United States Department of Justice:

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(A)
               an explosive weapon;
             \left[\frac{(2)}{(2)}\right] a machine gun;
       (B)
             \left[\frac{(3)}{3}\right]
       (C)
                       a short-barrel firearm; or
       (D)
             [\frac{(4)}{1}]
                        a firearm silencer;
     [\frac{(5)}{1}]
                knuckles;
(3)
     [\frac{(6)}{1}]
                armor-piercing ammunition;
      [\frac{7}{1}]
(4)
                a chemical dispensing device;
(5)
      [\frac{(8)}{}]
                a zip gun; or
(6)
     [\frac{(9)}{}]
                a tire deflation device.
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An offense under Subsection (a)(1), $[\frac{(2)}{7}]$ (3), (e) $(7)_{r}$] or (5) [(8)] is a felony of the third degree. An offense under Subsection (a) (6) $[\frac{(a)(9)}{(a)(5)}]$ is a state jail felony. An offense under Subsection $\frac{(a)(2)}{(a)(5)}$ is a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. Section 46.05(c), Penal Code, is repealed.

SECTION 3. 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 was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. 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 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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