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             (Senate Sponsor - Taylor of Galveston)
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               (In the Senate - Received from the
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                                      COMMITTEE VOTE
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              Whitmire
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                                  A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
                                          AN ACT
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       relating to the prosecution of the criminal offense of the
       possession, manufacture, transport, repair, or sale of certain
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       prohibited explosive weapons.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
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              SECTION 1. Section 46.01, Penal Code, is amended by adding
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       Subdivision (18) to read as follows:
                           "Improvised explosive device" means a completed
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       and operational bomb designed to cause serious bodily injury, death, or substantial property damage that is fabricated in an
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       improvised manner using nonmilitary components. The term does not
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       include:
                         (A) unassembled components that can be legally possessed without a license, permit, or other
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                   and
       purchased
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       governmental approval; or
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                           (B)
                                an exploding target that is used for firearms
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       practice, sold in kit form, and contains the components of a binary
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       explosive.
              SECTION 2.
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                             Sections 46.05(a) and (e), Penal Code,
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       amended to read as follows:
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              (a) A person commits an offense if the person intentionally
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       or knowingly possesses, manufactures, transports, repairs,
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       sells:
       \, (1) any of the following items, unless the item is registered in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer
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       Record maintained by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and
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       Explosives or classified as a curio or relic by the United States
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       Department of Justice:
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                                 an explosive weapon;
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                           (B)
                                 a machine gun;
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                           (C)
                                 a short-barrel firearm; or
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                           (D)
                                 a firearm silencer;
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                          knuckles;
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                     (3)
                          armor-piercing ammunition;
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                          a chemical dispensing device;
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                     (5)
                          a zip gun; [<del>or</del>]
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                          a tire deflation device; or
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(7) is a felony of the third degree. An offense under Subsection

SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only

(a)(6) is a state jail felony. An offense under Subsection (a)(2)

(7) an improvised explosive device.
An offense under Subsection (a)(1), (3), (4), [ex] (5),

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is a Class A misdemeanor.

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to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is 2-2

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governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was 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 2-4

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2-7 before that date.

2-8 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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