

1-1 By: Gerdes, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Hagenbuch) H.B. No. 2017
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2025;
1-3 May 7, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal
1-4 Justice; May 23, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 23, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Flores	X		
1-9	Parker	X		
1-10	Hagenbuch	X		
1-11	Hinojosa of Hidalgo	X		
1-12	Huffman	X		
1-13	King	X		
1-14	Miles	X		

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to increasing the criminal penalty and changing the
1-18 eligibility for community supervision, mandatory supervision, and
1-19 parole for certain persons convicted of intoxication manslaughter.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as Grayson's Law.

1-22 SECTION 2. Section 49.09(b-2), Penal Code, is amended to
1-23 read as follows:

1-24 (b-2) An offense under Section 49.08 is a felony of the
1-25 first degree if it is shown on the trial of the offense that the
1-26 person:

1-27 (1) caused the death of a person described by
1-28 Subsection (b-1); or

1-29 (2) has previously been convicted of an offense
1-30 relating to the operating of a motor vehicle while intoxicated,
1-31 operating an aircraft while intoxicated, operating a watercraft
1-32 while intoxicated, or operating or assembling an amusement ride
1-33 while intoxicated, and at the time of the commission of the instant
1-34 offense was in violation of Chapter 51.

1-35 SECTION 3. Article 42A.059, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
1-36 amended to read as follows:

1-37 Art. 42A.059. PLACEMENT ON COMMUNITY SUPERVISION
1-38 PROHIBITED FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES INVOLVING ILLEGAL ENTRY INTO THIS
1-39 STATE. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a
1-40 defendant is not eligible for community supervision, including
1-41 deferred adjudication community supervision, under this chapter if
1-42 the defendant is charged with or convicted of an offense under:

1-43 (1) Chapter 51, Penal Code; or

1-44 (2) Section 49.08, Penal Code, if the offense is
1-45 punishable under Section 49.09(b-2)(2), Penal Code.

1-46 SECTION 4. Section 508.145, Government Code, is amended by
1-47 adding Subsection (e-1) to read as follows:

1-48 (e-1) An inmate serving a sentence for an offense punishable
1-49 under Section 49.09(b-2)(2), Penal Code, is not eligible for
1-50 release on parole until the actual calendar time served, without
1-51 consideration of good conduct time, equals 10 years.

1-52 SECTION 5. Section 508.147, Government Code, is amended by
1-53 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as
1-54 follows:

1-55 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (a-1) and Section
1-56 508.149, a parole panel shall order the release of an inmate who is
1-57 not on parole to mandatory supervision when the actual calendar
1-58 time the inmate has served plus any accrued good conduct time equals
1-59 the term to which the inmate was sentenced.

1-60 (a-1) An inmate serving a sentence for an offense punishable
1-61 under Section 49.09(b-2)(2), Penal Code, may not be released to

2-1 mandatory supervision unless:

2-2 (1) the inmate's actual calendar time served, without
2-3 consideration of good conduct time, equals at least 10 years; and

2-4 (2) the inmate is otherwise eligible for release under
2-5 Subsection (a).

2-6 SECTION 6. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
2-7 an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An
2-8 offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed
2-9 by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the
2-10 former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of
2-11 this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of
2-12 this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

2-13 SECTION 7. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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