

1-1 By: Birdwell S.B. No. 1198  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 10, 2025;  
1-3 February 28, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Natural Resources; March 24, 2025, reported adversely, with  
1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8,  
1-6 Nays 0; March 24, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	<u>Birdwell</u>	X		
1-10	<u>Zaffirini</u>	X		
1-11	<u>Alvarado</u>	X		
1-12	<u>Blanco</u>	X		
1-13	<u>Flores</u>	X		
1-14	<u>Hancock</u>	X		
1-15	<u>Hughes</u>		X	
1-16	<u>Parker</u>	X		
1-17	<u>Sparks</u>	X		

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1198 By: Parker

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the designation of spaceports as critical  
1-22 infrastructure facilities for purposes of criminal and civil  
1-23 liability.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 424.001, Government Code, is amended to  
1-26 read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 424.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "critical  
1-28 infrastructure facility" has the meaning assigned by Section  
1-29 423.0045(a)(1-a) and also includes:

1-30 (1) any pipeline transporting oil or gas or the  
1-31 products or constituents of oil or gas;

1-32 (2) a public or private airport depicted in any  
1-33 current aeronautical chart published by the Federal Aviation  
1-34 Administration;

1-35 (3) a military installation owned or operated by or  
1-36 for the federal government, this state, or another governmental  
1-37 entity; ~~and~~

1-38 (4) any property or facility that is:

1-39 (A) used for the launch, landing, recovery, or  
1-40 testing of spacecraft, as defined by Section 507.001, Local  
1-41 Government Code; and

1-42 (B) licensed by the Federal Aviation  
1-43 Administration or operated by a spaceport development corporation  
1-44 under Chapter 507, Local Government Code; and

1-45 (5) a property, facility, or pipeline described by  
1-46 this section that is under construction and all equipment and  
1-47 appurtenances used during that construction.

1-48 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
1-49 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.  
1-50 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is  
1-51 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,  
1-52 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For  
1-53 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the  
1-54 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense was  
1-55 committed before that date.

1-56 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
1-57 to a cause of action that accrues on or after the effective date of  
1-58 this Act. A cause of action that accrues before the effective date  
1-59 of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the cause of  
1-60 action accrued, and the former law is continued in effect for that

2-1 purpose.

2-2 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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