S.B. No. 2017 1-1 By: Bettencourt 1**-**2 1**-**3 (In the Senate - Filed March 6, 2025; March 17, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice; May 7, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 7, 2025, sent to printer.) 1-4 1-5 1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE 1 - 7Yea Nav Absent PNV 1-8 Flores Parker 1-9 X 1-10 1-11 Hagenbuch Hinojosa of Hidalgo 1-12 Huffman Χ 1-13 King Χ 1-14 Miles A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-15 1-16 AN ACT relating to the creation of a criminal offense for operating a vehicle under certain circumstances causing a tire of the vehicle 1-17 ī**-**18 1-19 to spin, lose traction, or leave the surface of a highway. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 1-20 1-21 SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 545, Transportation Code, 1-22 1-23 is amended by adding Section 545.4015 to read as follows: Sec. 545.4015. OPERATION OF VEHICLE UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES CAUSING TIRE TO SPIN, LOSE TRACTION, OR LEAVE SURFACE 1-24 OF ROADWAY; OFFENSE. (a) An operator of a stationary vehicle may not break traction to spin a tire of the vehicle by pressing the 1-25 1-26 accelerator and increasing the engine speed.
(b) An operator of a vehicle may 1-27 1-28 <u>no</u>t intentionally knowingly accelerate the vehicle in a manner that causes any tire of 1-29 1-30 the vehicle to: 1-31 (1) lose traction; or (2) leave the surface of the highway.
A person who violates this section commits an offense. 1-32 1-33 An offense under this subsection is a Class C misdemeanor. 1-34

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

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