

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, there is a statute of limitation for prosecuting a person who leaves a scene of an accident that resulted in the death of a person. As proposed, S.B. 329 adds "hit and run" offenses that result in the death of a person to the list of felony offenses without a statute of limitations.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Article 12.01, Code of Criminal Procedure, by authorizing felony indictments to be presented with no limitation for murder, manslaughter, and an offense involving leaving the scene of an accident under Section 550.021 (Accident Involving Personal Injury or Death), Transportation Code, but only if the accident resulted in the death of a person.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.
Makes application of this Act prospective.