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1	<u>AN ACT</u>										
2	relating to prohibiting a motor vehicle from being equipped with										
3	certain video equipment and devices.										
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:										
5	SECTION 1. The heading to Section 547.611, Transportation										
6	Code, is amended to read as follows:										
7	Sec. 547.611. <u>USE OF CERTAIN VIDEO EQUIPMENT AND TELEVISION</u>										
8	RECEIVERS [PERMITTED].										
9	SECTION 2. Subsections (a) and (c), Section 547.611										
10	Transportation Code, are amended to read as follows:										
11	(a) A motor vehicle may be equipped with video receiving										
12	equipment, including a television [and similar equipment], a										
13 ·	digital video disc player, a videocassette player, or similar										
14	equipment, only if the equipment is located so that the video										
15	display is not visible from the operator's seat.										
16	(c) This section does not prohibit the use of:										
17	(1) equipment used:										
18	(A) exclusively for receiving digital										
19	information for commercial purposes;										
20	(B) exclusively for a safety or law enforcement										
21	purpose, if each installation is approved by the department; $[\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial t}]$										
22	(C) in a remote television transmission truck; or										
23	(D) exclusively for monitoring the performance										

of equipment installed on a vehicle used for safety purposes in

1,	connection	with	the	operations	of	a	natural	gas,	water,	or	electric

2 utility; or

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- 4 (A) produces an electronic display; and
- 5 (B) is used exclusively in conjunction with a 6 mobile navigation system installed in the vehicle.
- 7 SECTION 3. (a) This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.
- 8 (b) The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after September 1, 2003.
 - (c) An offense committed before September 1, 2003, is covered by the law in effect when 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 September 1, 2003, if any element of the offense was committed before that date.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate I hereby certify that S.B. No. 209 passed the Senate on March 11, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.____ Secretary of the Senate I hereby certify that S.B. No. 209 passed the House on April 25, 2003, by a non-record vote. _

Approved:

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