

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the period in which a person commits the offense of  
3 funeral service disruption.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 42.055(b), Penal Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (b) A person commits an offense if, during the period  
8 beginning three hours [~~one hour~~] before the service begins and  
9 ending three hours [~~one hour~~] after the service is completed, the  
10 person engages in picketing within 1,000 feet of a facility or  
11 cemetery being used for a funeral service.

12 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
13 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.  
14 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is  
15 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,  
16 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For  
17 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the  
18 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred  
19 before that date.

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

*Stephen Rogers*  
President of the Senate

*Joe Straus*  
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 718 was passed by the House on April 26, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 148, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

*Robert Haney*  
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 718 was passed by the Senate on May 25, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

*Patsy Spaw*  
Secretary of the Senate

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Date

*Rick Perry*  
Governor

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