

AN ACT

relating to the use of auction proceeds from the sale of abandoned motor vehicles, watercraft, or outboard motors to compensate certain property owners.

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

SECTION 1. Section 683.015(f), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(f) A ~~county~~ law enforcement agency may use funds ~~[received from the sale of a motor vehicle abandoned as a result of a vehicular pursuit involving the law enforcement agency and] transferred under Subsection (d) to compensate property owners whose property was damaged as a result of a a [the] pursuit involving the law enforcement agency, regardless of whether the agency would be liable under Chapter 101, Civil Practice and Remedies Code. [A payment for compensation under this subsection may not exceed any of the following amounts:~~

~~[(1) - - the net proceeds received from the sale of the motor vehicle abandoned as a result of the pursuit;~~
~~[(2) - - \$1,000 per property owner, if more than one property owner's property is damaged as a result of the pursuit; or~~
~~[(3) - - the amount of the property owner's insurance deductible.]~~

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3422 was passed by the House on May 13, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 1, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3422 was passed by the Senate on May 25, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:

Date

Governor