

AN ACT

relating to the use of auction proceeds from the sale of certain abandoned motor vehicles to reimburse law enforcement agencies for compensation paid to certain property owners.

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

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

(a) A law enforcement agency is entitled to reimbursement from the proceeds of the sale of an abandoned motor vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, or outboard motor for:

(1) the cost of the auction;

(2) towing, preservation, and storage fees resulting from the taking into custody; ~~and~~

(3) the cost of notice or publication as required by Section 683.012; and

(4) any compensation made by the agency under Subsection (f) to property owners whose property was damaged as a result of a pursuit involving the motor vehicle.

SECTION 2. Section 683.015(a), Transportation Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to proceeds of a sale of an abandoned motor vehicle that takes place on or after the effective date of this Act. Proceeds of a sale of an abandoned motor vehicle that takes place before the effective date of this Act are governed by the law in effect on the date of the sale, and the former law is

1 continued in effect for that purpose.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2306 was passed by the House on May 6, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2306 was passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor