

CHAPTER 562

S.B. No. 866

AN ACT

relating to the use of abandoned motor vehicles by police departments in certain counties.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Subsection (d), Section 5.031, Chapter 741, Acts of the 67th Legislature, Regular Session, 1981 (Article 4477-9a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

(d) This section does not apply to a *motor vehicle that is taken into custody by a police department located in a county with a population of 2.4 million or more according to the most recent federal decennial census and that is removed to a privately owned storage facility.*

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1993.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed the Senate on April 13, 1993: Yeas 31, Nays 0; the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 27, 1993, by a viva-voce vote; passed the House, with amendment, on May 21, 1993, by a non-record vote.

Approved June 11, 1993.

Effective Sept. 1, 1993.