

AN ACT

relating to the fraudulent use of a child's identifying information.

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

SECTION 1. Section 32.51(b), Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A person commits an offense if the person, with intent to harm or defraud another, obtains, possesses, transfers, or uses identifying information of:

(1) another person without the other person's consent;
or

(2) a child younger than 18 years of age [~~and with intent to harm or defraud another~~].

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed 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 the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 649 was passed by the House on May 11, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 141, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 649 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor