By: Alvarado, et al. S.B. No. 234

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the prohibition on the possession of a firearm by a person following the person's conviction of certain family violence misdemeanors.

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

SECTION 1. Section 46.04(b), Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A person who has been convicted of an offense under Section 22.01, punishable as a Class A misdemeanor and committed against an individual whose relationship to or association with the person is described by Section 71.0021(b), 71.003, or 71.005, Family Code [~~involving a member of the person's family or household~~], commits an offense if the person possesses a firearm before the fifth anniversary of the later of:

(1) the date of the person's release from confinement following conviction of the misdemeanor; or

(2) the date of the person's release from community supervision following conviction of the misdemeanor.

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 on the date 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 was committed before that date.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2027.