

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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H.B. 84  
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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Under current Texas law, it is not an offense to possess body armor after being convicted of a felony. H.B. 84 provides that it is a felony of the third degree for a convicted felon to possess metal or body armor.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 46, Penal Code, by adding Section 46.041, as follows:

Sec. 46.041. UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF METAL OR BODY ARMOR BY FELON.  
Defines “metal or body armor.” Provides that a person who has been convicted of a felony commits an offense if after the conviction the person possesses metal or body armor. Provides that an offense under this section is a felony of the third degree.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.