By: Toth H.B. No. 1096

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to the enforcement of commercial motor vehicle safety
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 644.101, Transportation Code, is amended
- 6 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c-1) to read as
- 7 follows:

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- 8 (a) The department shall establish procedures, including
- 9 training, for the certification of municipal police officers,
- 10 sheriffs, [and] deputy sheriffs, constables, and deputy constables
- 11 to enforce this chapter.

standards in certain counties.

- 12 <u>(c-1)</u> A constable or deputy constable of a county described
- 13 by this subsection is eligible to apply for certification under
- 14 this section. This subsection applies only to a constable or deputy
- 15 constable of a county:
- 16 (1) that is adjacent to a county with a population of
- 17 3.3 million or more; and
- 18 (2) in which a planned community is located that has
- 19 20,000 or more acres of land, that was originally established under
- 20 the Urban Growth and New Community Development Act of 1970 (42
- 21 U.S.C. Section 4501 et seq.), and that is subject to restrictive
- 22 covenants containing ad valorem or annual variable budget based
- 23 assessments on real property.
- SECTION 2. Section 644.101(c), Transportation Code, as

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- 1 amended by Chapters 169 (H.B. 917) and 478 (H.B. 511), Acts of the
- 2 86th Legislature, Regular Session, 2019, is reenacted and amended
- 3 to read as follows:
- 4 (c) A sheriff or a deputy sheriff of any of the following
- 5 counties is eligible to apply for certification under this section:
- 6 (1) a county bordering the United Mexican States;
- 7 (2) a county with a population of less than 1,000, part
- 8 of which is located within 75 miles of an international border; [or]
- 9 (3) $\left[\frac{(2)}{(2)}\right]$ a county with a population of 700,000 or
- 10 more; [or]
- 11 (4) (4) (4) a county with a population of 400,000 or
- 12 more that borders the county in which the State Capitol is located;
- 13 <u>or</u>
- 14 (5) a county described by Subsection (c-1).
- SECTION 3. Section 644.103(b), Transportation Code, is
- 16 amended to read as follows:
- 17 (b) A municipal police officer who is certified under
- 18 Section 644.101 may stop, enter, or detain on a highway or at a port
- 19 of entry within the territory of the municipality a motor vehicle
- 20 that is subject to this chapter. A sheriff, [or] deputy sheriff,
- 21 <u>constable</u>, or <u>deputy constable</u> who is certified under Section
- 22 644.101 may stop, enter, or detain on a highway or at a port of entry
- 23 within the territory of the county a motor vehicle that is subject
- 24 to this chapter.
- 25 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 26 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 27 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 2 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.