1-1 By: Canales (Senate Sponsor - Kolkhorst) H.B. No. 3335 1-2 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 15, 2023; May 16, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce; May 22, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 22, 2023, sent to printer.) 1-4 1-5

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COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Schwertner	Х			
1-9	King	Х			
1-10	Birdwell	Х			
1-11	Campbell	Х			
1-12	Creighton	Х			
1-13	Johnson	Х			
1-14	Kolkhorst	Х			
1-15	Menéndez	Х			
1-16	Middleton	Х			
1-17	Nichols	Х			
1-18	Zaffirini	Х			

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to employment activities of certain peace officers 1-21 responding to an emergency call for purposes of the Texas Workers' 1-22 1-23 Compensation Act. 1-24

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

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 401.026, Labor Code, is amended to read 1-26 as follows:

1-27 1-28 Sec. 401.026. APPLICABILITY TO CERTAIN EMERGENCY RESPONSE PERSONNEL. For purposes of this subtitle, the travel of a firefighter, peace officer, or emergency medical personnel en route 1-29 1-30 to an emergency call is considered to be in the course and scope of firefighter's<u>, peace officer's,</u> 1-31 the emergency medical or 1-32 personnel's employment.

1-33 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only a claim for workers' compensation benefits based on a 1-34 to compensable injury that occurs on or after the effective date of 1-35 this Act. A claim based on a compensable injury that occurs before that date is governed by the law as it existed on the date the compensable injury occurred, and the former law is continued in 1-36 1-37 1-38 1-39 effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 1-40 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 1-41 1-42 1-43 1-44 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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