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H.B. No. 4906

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the authority to obtain certain search warrants of
3 certain peace officers for school districts, state institutions of
4 higher education, and public technical institutes.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 18B.001, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
7 amended by adding Subsection (K) to read as follows:

8 (1) "Authorized peace officer" means:

9 (A) a sheriff or deputy sheriff;

10 (B) a constable or deputy constable;

11 (C) a marshal or police officer of a
12 municipality;

13 (D) a ranger or officer commissioned by the
14 Public Safety Commission or the director of the department;

15 (E) an investigator of a prosecutor's office;

16 (F) a law enforcement agent of the Texas
17 Alcoholic Beverage Commission;

18 (G) a law enforcement officer commissioned by the
19 Parks and Wildlife Commission;

20 (H) an enforcement officer appointed by the
21 inspector general of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice under
22 Section 493.019, Government Code;

23 (I) an investigator commissioned by the attorney
24 general under Section 402.009, Government Code; [~~or~~]

1 (J) a member of an arson investigating unit
2 commissioned by a municipality, a county, or the state; or

3 (K) a sworn law enforcement officer, other than
4 security personnel, commissioned under Section 37.081 or Section
5 51.203, Education Code.

6 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.