By: Dutton H.B. No. 2242

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to policy-making authority of constables for the purpose
- 3 of a federal civil rights action.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 86.021, Local Government Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:
- 7 <u>(f)</u> For the purpose of a civil rights action brought under
- 8 42 U.S.C. Section 1983, a constable is a final policy maker on law
- 9 <u>enforcement decisions for the constable's county.</u>
- 10 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 11 to a cause of action that accrues on or after the effective date of
- 12 this Act.
- 13 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.