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H.B. No. 1186

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the designation of a weight enforcement officer by a
commissioners court in certain counties.

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

SECTION 1. Section 621.401, Transportation Code, is amended
to read as follows:

Sec. 621.401. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "weight
enforcement officer" means:

(1) a license and weight inspector of the Department
of Public Safety;

(2) a highway patrol officer;

(3) a sheriff or sheriff's deputy;

(4) a municipal police officer in a municipality with
a population of:

(A) 100,000 or more; or

(B) 74,000 or more in a county with a population
of more than 1.5 million; ~~or~~

(5) a police officer certified under Section 644.101;
or

(6) a constable or deputy constable designated under
Section 621.4015.

SECTION 2. Subchapter F, Chapter 621, Transportation Code,
is amended by adding Section 621.4015 to read as follows:

Sec. 621.4015. DESIGNATION BY COMMISSIONERS COURT. A

1 county commissioners court of a county with a population of 40,000
2 or more may designate a constable or deputy constable of the county
3 as a weight enforcement officer.

4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.