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H.B. No. 2551

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to supplemental pay for certain officers commissioned by
3 the Department of Public Safety.

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

5 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 411.016, Government Code,
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 411.016. SUPPLEMENTAL PAY FOR OVERTIME HOURS WORKED OR
8 PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

9 SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 411, Government Code, is
10 amended by adding Sections 411.0161 and 411.0162 to read as
11 follows:

12 Sec. 411.0161. SUPPLEMENTAL PAY FOR PROFICIENCY
13 CERTIFICATION. (a) Subject to the availability of funds and except
14 as provided by Subsection (d), an officer commissioned by the
15 department who has been issued one of the following proficiency
16 certificates by the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards
17 and Education is entitled to supplemental pay in the amount of:

18 (1) \$100 a month for an intermediate peace officer
19 proficiency certificate or an equivalent certificate;

20 (2) \$200 a month for an advanced peace officer
21 proficiency certificate or an equivalent certificate; or

22 (3) \$300 a month for a master peace officer
23 proficiency certificate or an equivalent certificate.

24 (b) If an officer has been issued more than one of the

1 certificates described by Subsection (a), the officer is entitled
2 only to the amount of supplemental pay attributable to the most
3 advanced certificate issued to the officer.

4 (c) An officer who is entitled to supplemental pay under
5 this section is entitled to that pay in addition to the officer's
6 regular compensation for as long as the proficiency certification
7 is in effect.

8 (d) An officer who receives supplemental pay under this
9 section may not receive supplemental pay for obtaining a higher
10 education degree under Section 411.0162.

11 Sec. 411.0162. SUPPLEMENTAL PAY FOR OBTAINING HIGHER
12 EDUCATION DEGREE. (a) Subject to the availability of funds and
13 except as provided by Subsection (c), an officer commissioned by
14 the department who has obtained one of the following degrees from an
15 accredited public or private college or university is entitled to
16 supplemental pay in the amount of:

17 (1) \$100 a month for an associate's degree;

18 (2) \$200 a month for a bachelor's degree; or

19 (3) \$300 a month for a master's degree or more advanced
20 degree.

21 (b) If an officer has obtained more than one of the degrees
22 described by Subsection (a), the officer is entitled only to the
23 amount of supplemental pay attributable to the most advanced degree
24 obtained by the officer.

25 (c) An officer who receives supplemental pay under this
26 section may not receive supplemental pay for proficiency
27 certification under Section 411.0161.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.