

1-1 By: Gallegos S.B. No. 634
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1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 634 By: Gallegos

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the duties that may be assigned to certain fire
1-11 protection personnel.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Subsection (c), Section 419.032, Government
1-14 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-15 (c) Fire protection personnel who receive temporary or
1-16 probationary appointment and who fail to satisfactorily complete a
1-17 basic course in fire protection, as prescribed by the commission,
1-18 before one year after the date of the original appointment forfeit,
1-19 and shall be removed from, the position. A temporary or
1-20 probationary appointment may not be extended beyond one year by
1-21 renewal of appointment or otherwise, except that on petition of a
1-22 fire department one year or more after the date of the forfeiture
1-23 and removal, the commission may reinstate the person's temporary or
1-24 probationary employment. Fire protection personnel must complete a
1-25 commission-approved training course in fire suppression before
1-26 being assigned full-time to fire suppression or fire-related
1-27 emergency medical duties. The commission may, on application by a
1-28 fire department and after receiving the comments and advice of the
1-29 fire fighter advisory committee, extend from one year to a period
1-30 not to exceed two years the time allowed for fire protection
1-31 personnel receiving a temporary or probationary appointment to
1-32 successfully complete a basic course in fire protection.

1-33 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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