

AN ACT

relating to the powers and duties of peace officers commissioned by certain hospital districts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 281.057, Health and Safety Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(b) The jurisdiction of a peace officer commissioned under this section includes the property owned or controlled by the district that employs the peace officer and any street abutting, right-of-way over or through, or easement in the property.

(c) In a district peace officer's jurisdiction, the peace officer has the authority granted by Chapter 14, Code of Criminal Procedure. The [A district] peace officer may also make an arrest without a warrant in the officer's jurisdiction if [+

~~[(1) the arrest is necessary to prevent or abate the commission of a criminal offense and the offense or threatened offense occurs on any land, easement, right-of-way, or other property owned and controlled by the district, or~~

~~[(2)]~~ the offense involves injury or harm to any property owned or controlled by the district.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 801 passed the Senate on  
April 10, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 801 passed the House on  
May 25, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 117, Nays 0, two  
present not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor