

1-1 By: Van de Putte S.B. No. 1594
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 14, 2003; March 20, 2003, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Veteran Affairs and
1-4 Military Installations; April 22, 2003, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; April 22, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the Texas State Guard.

1-9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-10 SECTION 1. Section 431.051, Government Code, is amended to
1-11 read as follows:

1-12 Sec. 431.051. SUPPLEMENTAL VOLUNTEER MILITARY FORCES
1-13 [MILITIA]. To provide mission-ready volunteer military forces
1-14 [~~militia strength~~] for use by the state in homeland security and
1-15 community service activities as a supplement to the Texas National
1-16 Guard, the Texas State Guard exists as part of the state militia
1-17 under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and a
1-18 defense force under 32 U.S.C. Section 109.

1-19 SECTION 2. Subsection (b), Section 431.052, Government
1-20 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-21 (b) To volunteer for service in the Texas State Guard a
1-22 person must:

1-23 (1) be a [~~state~~] citizen of the United States and a
1-24 resident of this state for at least 180 days;

1-25 (2) be at least 17 years of age;

1-26 (3) meet qualifications that the governor prescribes;
1-27 and

1-28 (4) be acceptable to and approved by the governor or
1-29 adjutant general under the governor's direction.

1-30 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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