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H.B. No. 233

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the securing by municipal police officers of a scene to
which the municipality's emergency ambulance service responds.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 774, Health and Safety Code, is amended
by adding Section 774.004 to read as follows:

Sec. 774.004. MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICER RESPONSE
ACCOMPANYING MUNICIPAL AMBULANCE RESPONSE OUTSIDE MUNICIPALITY.

(a) This section applies to an agreement between two
municipalities under Section 774.001(b) or between a county and a
municipality under Section 774.001(b) or 774.003.

(b) The agreement may authorize police officers employed by
the responding municipality to secure the scene of an emergency,
accident, fire, or disaster to which the municipality's emergency
ambulance service responds under the agreement.

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
Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
Act takes effect September 1, 2005.