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	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1	AN ACT
2	relating to municipal civil service coverage for certain employees
3	of a fire department.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
5	SECTION 1. Section 143.003(4), Local Government Code, is
6	amended to read as follows:
7	(4) "Fire fighter" means a member of a fire department
8	who was appointed in substantial compliance with this chapter or
9	who is entitled to civil service status under Section 143.005 or
10	143.084. The term <u>:</u>
11	(A) applies only to an employee of a fire
12	department whose position requires substantial knowledge of fire
13	fighting and who has met the requirements for certification by the
14	Texas Commission on Fire Protection under Chapter 419, Government
15	<u>Code, including an employee [includes employees]</u> who <u>performs</u>
16	[perform]:
17	(i) [(A)] fire suppression;
18	(ii) [(B)] fire prevention;
19	(iii) [(C)] fire training;
20	<u>(iv)</u> [(D)] fire safety education;
21	<pre>(v) [(E)] fire maintenance;</pre>
22	<pre>(vi) [(F)] fire communications;</pre>
23	(vii) [(G)] fire medical emergency
24	technology;

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1	(viii) [(H)] fire photography;
2	(ix) [(I)] fire administration; or
3	(x) [(J)] fire arson investigation; and
4	(B) does not apply to a secretary, clerk, budget
5	analyst, custodial engineer, or other administrative employee.
6	SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.