

1-1 By: Jones of Lubbock, Isett H.B. No. 2640  
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Duncan)  
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 16, 2005;  
1-4 May 17, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-5 Intergovernmental Relations; May 20, 2005, reported favorably by  
1-6 the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 20, 2005, sent to  
1-7 printer.)

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

1-10 relating to municipal civil service coverage for certain employees  
1-11 of a fire department.

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

1-13 SECTION 1. Section 143.003(4), Local Government Code, is  
1-14 amended to read as follows:

1-15 (4) "Fire fighter" means a member of a fire department  
1-16 who was appointed in substantial compliance with this chapter or  
1-17 who is entitled to civil service status under Section 143.005 or  
1-18 143.084. The term:

1-19 (A) applies only to an employee of a fire  
1-20 department whose position requires substantial knowledge of fire  
1-21 fighting and who has met the requirements for certification by the  
1-22 Texas Commission on Fire Protection under Chapter 419, Government  
1-23 Code, including an employee [~~includes employees~~] who performs  
1-24 [~~perform~~]:

1-25 (i) [~~(A)~~] fire suppression;  
1-26 (ii) [~~(B)~~] fire prevention;  
1-27 (iii) [~~(C)~~] fire training;  
1-28 (iv) [~~(D)~~] fire safety education;  
1-29 (v) [~~(E)~~] fire maintenance;  
1-30 (vi) [~~(F)~~] fire communications;  
1-31 (vii) [~~(G)~~] fire medical emergency  
1-32 technology;

1-33 (viii) [~~(H)~~] fire photography;  
1-34 (ix) [~~(I)~~] fire administration; or  
1-35 (x) [~~(J)~~] fire arson investigation; and

1-36 (B) does not apply to a secretary, clerk, budget  
1-37 analyst, custodial engineer, or other administrative employee.

1-38 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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