By: Herrero H.B. No. 3441

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3441:

By: Alonzo C.S.H.B. No. 3441

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the exchange of benches between justices of the peace.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 27.054, Government Code, is amended to
- 5 read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 27.054. EXCHANGE OF BENCHES. (a) A justice of the
- 7 peace may hold court for any other justice in $\underline{\text{any}}$ [the] county $\underline{\text{at}}$
- 8 the request of that justice.
- 9 (b) The justices of <u>any</u> [a] county may exchange benches <u>for</u>
- 10 <u>a period not to exceed five days</u> if they consider it expedient.
- 11 (c) A justice who exchanges benches with another justice is
- 12 <u>not entitled to receive compensation from the commissioners court</u>
- of the county in which the regular justice serves.
- 14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.