By: Hardcastle H.B. No. 369

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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	AN ACT

- 2 relating to the appointment of bailiffs for the 97th Judicial
- 3 District.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 53.001(d), Government Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (d) The judge of the 97th District Court shall appoint a
- 8 bailiff for each county in the district. At the discretion of the
- 9 judge, a bailiff may serve the court in more than one county of the
- 10 <u>district.</u>
- 11 SECTION 2. Section 53.004(b), Government Code, is amended
- 12 to read as follows:
- 13 (b) To be eligible to be appointed bailiff in the 30th,
- 78th, 86th, 89th, [97th,] or 341st district court, the County Court
- of Harrison County, a court described in Section 53.002(c), a
- 16 district court in Taylor County, or a county court at law of Taylor
- 17 County, a person must be a resident of the county in which the
- 18 person serves the court and must be at least 21 years old.
- 19 SECTION 3. Section 53.009, Government Code, is amended by
- 20 adding Subsection (m) to read as follows:
- 21 (m) A bailiff of the 97th District Court that serves the
- court in more than one county is entitled to receive a salary set by
- 23 the judge and approved by the commissioners court of each of the
- 24 counties in which the bailiff is designated to serve. The salary

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- 1 shall be apportioned by the judge among the counties in which the
- 2 <u>bailiff</u> is designated to serve. The judge shall give each
- 3 commissioners court in the district written notification of the
- 4 amount of compensation to be paid by the county.
- 5 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.