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H.B. No. 1851

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to certain persons that are special investigators.

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

SECTION 1. Article 2.122(b), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A person designated as an officer or agent for duty in connection with the protection of property and persons on the property [~~a special policeman~~] by the Secretary of Homeland Security under 40 U.S.C. Section 1315 [~~Federal Protective Services division of the General Services Administration under 40 U.S.C. Section 318 or 318d~~] is not a peace officer but has the powers of arrest and search and seizure as to any offense under the laws of this state.

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, 2007.