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H.B. No. 1934

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the establishment by the Commission on Law Enforcement  
3 Officer Standards and Education of a training program for law  
4 enforcement officers regarding the use of a Taser or other stun gun.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 1701, Occupations Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 1701.3521 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 1701.3521. TRAINING PROGRAM REGARDING USE OF TASER OR  
9 OTHER STUN GUN. (a) In this section:

10 (1) "Stun gun" means a device that is intended,  
11 designed, made, or adapted to immobilize a person by inflicting an  
12 electrical charge.

13 (2) "Taser" means a stun gun manufactured, sold, or  
14 distributed by Taser International, Incorporated.

15 (b) The commission shall require a state, county, special  
16 district, or municipal agency that appoints or employs peace  
17 officers to provide each peace officer with a training program  
18 established by the commission regarding the use by a peace officer  
19 of a Taser or other stun gun.

20 (c) The commission by rule shall establish the:

21 (1) training program requirements, including the  
22 frequency with which a peace officer must complete the training  
23 program; and

24 (2) date by which the peace officer must complete the

1 officer's initial training program.

2           SECTION 2. Not later than March 1, 2008, the Commission on  
3 Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education shall establish the  
4 training program required by Section 1701.3521, Occupations Code,  
5 as added by this Act.

6           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.