

AN ACT

relating to the suspension or removal of a deputy sheriff.

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

SECTION 1. Section 85.003, Local Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(c) Except as provided by Subsection (f), a [A] deputy serves at the pleasure of the sheriff. The sheriff may revoke ~~[However,~~ the appointment of a deputy ~~[is—revoked]~~ on the indictment of the deputy for a felony.

(f) A deputy who is included in the coverage of a civil service system created under Chapter 158 may be suspended or removed only for a violation of a civil service rule adopted under that system.

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.

H.B. No. 2283

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2283 was passed by the House on May 11, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 120, Nays 20, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2283 was passed by the Senate on May 23, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor