

1-1 By: Gonzalez Toureilles, et al. H.B. No. 2498
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini)
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 14, 2007;
1-4 May 15, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal
1-5 Justice; May 18, 2007, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-6 Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 18, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-8 AN ACT

1-9 relating to hazardous duty pay for correctional officers employed
1-10 by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Section 659.305, Government Code, is amended by
1-13 amending Subsections (a), (d), (e), (f), and (g) and adding
1-14 Subsection (h) to read as follows:

1-15 (a) Except as provided by Subsections [Subsection] (b) and
1-16 (h), the amount of a full-time state employee's hazardous duty pay
1-17 for a particular month is the lesser of:

1-18 (1) \$10 for each 12-month period of lifetime service
1-19 credit accrued by the employee; or

1-20 (2) \$300.

1-21 (d) For purposes of Subsections (a)(1), ~~[and]~~ (b)(2), and
1-22 (h), the number of 12-month periods of lifetime service credit that
1-23 the employee has accrued must be determined as of the last day of
1-24 the preceding month.

1-25 (e) A state employee is considered to be a full-time state
1-26 employee for purposes of Subsection (a), ~~[or]~~ (b), or (h) if the
1-27 employee is a full-time state employee for any portion of the first
1-28 workday of the month.

1-29 (f) The amount of a part-time state employee's hazardous
1-30 duty pay is proportional to the amount of a full-time state
1-31 employee's pay under Subsection (a), ~~[or]~~ (b), or (h).

1-32 (g) A state employee may not receive more than \$10 or \$12, as
1-33 applicable, for each 12-month period of lifetime service credit,
1-34 regardless of:

1-35 (1) the number of positions the employee holds; or

1-36 (2) the number of hours the employee works each week.

1-37 (h) The amount of hazardous duty pay for a particular month
1-38 for a full-time correctional officer employed by the Texas
1-39 Department of Criminal Justice is the lesser of:

1-40 (1) \$12 for each 12-month period of lifetime service
1-41 credit accrued by the employee; or

1-42 (2) \$300.

1-43 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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