

1-1 By: McClendon (Senate Sponsor - Van de Putte) H.B. No. 2799
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 16, 2007;
1-3 April 19, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on State
1-4 Affairs; May 8, 2007, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 8, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the applicability of the Texas Local Fire Fighters
1-9 Retirement Act.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 3(e), Texas Local Fire Fighters
1-12 Retirement Act (Article 6243e, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is
1-13 amended to read as follows:

1-14 (e) In addition to the other applicability of this Act, this
1-15 Act applies to a political subdivision [~~outside the boundaries of a~~
1-16 ~~municipality~~] that has a regularly organized fire department not
1-17 consisting exclusively of volunteers, except a political
1-18 subdivision whose fire department is governed by another state law
1-19 providing for retirement benefits for full-time paid fire
1-20 department personnel. If the political subdivision's fire
1-21 department consists partly of volunteers eligible to participate in
1-22 the program provided by Subtitle H, Title 8, Government Code
1-23 [~~Chapter 269, Acts of the 65th Legislature, Regular Session, 1977~~
1-24 [~~Article 6243e.3, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes~~], and partly of
1-25 employees, this Act applies to fire department personnel who are
1-26 employees.

1-27 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-28 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-29 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-30 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-31 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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