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S.B. No. 949

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the regulation of a private business providing security services by a political subdivision of this state.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 1702, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 1702.184 to read as follows:

Sec. 1702.184. LOCAL REGULATION OF CERTAIN SECURITY SERVICES FOR PRIVATE BUSINESSES. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), a political subdivision of this state may not require a private business to contract with or employ a peace officer to provide security services for the business.

(b) This section does not apply to a requirement that a private business contract with or employ a peace officer to provide security services for a public event.

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.