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S.B. No. 1230

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the licensing of court interpreters.

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

SECTION 1. Section 57.043, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b) Except as provided by Subsection (b-1), the [The] commission shall adopt rules relating to licensing under this subchapter and the executive director shall prescribe all forms required under this subchapter.

(b-1) The commission by rule shall adopt the form of the license to be issued under Subsection (a). A license must include a designation of the category of trial courts in which the license holder is licensed to interpret. The designation must be for at least one of the following:

(1) the category of justice and municipal courts; or
(2) the category of county courts, statutory county courts, statutory probate courts, and district courts.

SECTION 2. Section 57.043(b-1), Government Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a court reporter license issued under Section 57.043(a), Government Code, on or after the effective date of this Act. A court reporter license issued before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the license was issued, and the former law is continued in effect for

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1 that purpose.

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