

1-1 By: Zaffirini S.B. No. 1498  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 8, 2007; March 20, 2007, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental  
1-4 Relations; May 4, 2007, reported adversely, with favorable  
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0;  
1-6 May 4, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1498 By: Nichols

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the eligibility of certain counties to adopt a civil  
1-11 service system.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Subdivision (3), Section 158.001, Local  
1-14 Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-15 (3) "Department" means a county, district, or precinct  
1-16 office or officer, agency, or board that has jurisdiction and  
1-17 control of the performance of employees' official duties. The term  
1-18 includes a sheriff's department.

1-19 SECTION 2. Section 158.002, Local Government Code, is  
1-20 amended to read as follows:

1-21 Sec. 158.002. ELIGIBLE COUNTIES. A county with a  
1-22 population of 190,000 [~~200,000~~] or more may, in accordance with  
1-23 this subchapter, create a county civil service system to include  
1-24 all the employees of the county who are not exempted from the system  
1-25 by the express terms or judicial interpretations of this subchapter  
1-26 or by the operation of Subchapter B.

1-27 SECTION 3. Subsection (a), Section 158.0025, Local  
1-28 Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-29 (a) This section applies only to a county with a population  
1-30 of 190,000 [~~200,000~~] or more, other than:

1-31 (1) a county that has created a civil service system  
1-32 under this subchapter to include those employees of the county  
1-33 described by Section 158.002; or

1-34 (2) a county in which the sheriff's department is  
1-35 eligible to create a civil service system under Subchapter B.

1-36 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-37 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-38 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-39 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-40 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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