

1-1 By: Seliger S.B. No. 1303
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1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;
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1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the requirement that certain state and local
1-9 governmental entities designate a firearms proficiency officer and
1-10 require weapons proficiency.

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

1-12 SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 1701.355, Occupations
1-13 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-14 (a) An agency that employs one or more [~~at least two~~] peace
1-15 officers shall designate a firearms proficiency officer and require
1-16 each peace officer the agency employs to demonstrate weapons
1-17 proficiency to the firearms proficiency officer at least annually.
1-18 The agency shall maintain records of the weapons proficiency of the
1-19 agency's peace officers.

1-20 SECTION 2. A law enforcement agency affected by the change
1-21 in law made by this Act shall designate a firearms proficiency
1-22 officer not later than March 1, 2010. For purposes of this section,
1-23 a state or local governmental entity that employs one or more peace
1-24 officers is a law enforcement agency.

1-25 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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