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H.B. No. 1254

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to consideration of the consolidation of school district
3 employment of peace officers and security personnel in certain
4 counties.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 37, Education Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 37.0815 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 37.0815. CONSIDERATION OF COUNTYWIDE EMPLOYMENT OF
9 SCHOOL DISTRICT PEACE OFFICERS AND SECURITY PERSONNEL. (a) This
10 section applies only to a county with a population of 800,000 or
11 more that is located adjacent to an international border.

12 (b) Not later than January 1, 2012, the school districts in
13 a county subject to this section shall meet and discuss countywide
14 consolidation of school district employment of peace officers and
15 security personnel. The districts shall collect and review
16 information related to the employment of peace officers and
17 security personnel by each district and discuss the feasibility and
18 advisability of consolidating that employment.

19 (c) Not later than May 1, 2012, the school districts shall
20 provide a joint report to the commissioner:

21 (1) summarizing the information collected and
22 reviewed under Subsection (b); and

23 (2) providing recommendations concerning the
24 feasibility and advisability of countywide consolidation of school

1 district employment of peace officers and security personnel based
2 on the discussions under Subsection (b).

3 (d) This section expires September 1, 2012.

4 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.