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S.B. No. 1292

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of a driver's license to a peace officer that includes an alternative to the officer's residence address.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 521, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 521.1211 to read as follows:

Sec. 521.1211. DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR PEACE OFFICER. (a) In this section, "peace officer" has the meaning assigned by Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 521.121(a), the department by rule shall adopt procedures for the issuance of a driver's license to a peace officer that omits the license holder's actual residence address and includes, as an alternative, an address that is in the municipality or county of the peace officer's residence and is acceptable to the department.

(c) To be issued a driver's license under this section, a peace officer must apply to the department and provide sufficient evidence acceptable to the department to establish the applicant's status as a peace officer. On issuance of the license, the license holder shall surrender any other driver's license issued to the holder by the department.

(d) If the holder of a driver's license that includes an alternative address moves to a new residence or if the name of the person is changed by marriage or otherwise, the license holder

1 shall, not later than the 30th day after the date of the address or
2 name change, notify the department and provide the department with
3 the number of the person's driver's license and, as applicable, the
4 person's:

5 (1) former and new addresses; or

6 (2) former and new names.

7 (e) If the holder of a driver's license that includes an
8 alternative address ceases to be a peace officer, the license
9 holder shall, not later than the 30th day after the date of the
10 status change, apply to the department for issuance of a duplicate
11 license. The duplicate license must include the person's actual
12 current residence address.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.