

1-1 By: Huffman S.B. No. 265
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 25, 2013; January 29, 2013,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental
1-4 Relations; March 4, 2013, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; March 4, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	X			
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1-12 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-13 AN ACT

1-14 relating to bond requirements for county officers and employees.
1-15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-16 SECTION 1. Chapter 88, Local Government Code, is amended by
1-17 adding Section 88.008 to read as follows:
1-18 Sec. 88.008. SELF-INSURANCE INSTEAD OF BOND. (a)
1-19 Notwithstanding any other law requiring a county officer or
1-20 employee to execute a bond as a condition of office or employment, a
1-21 county officer or employee is not required to execute the bond and
1-22 may perform the duties of office or employment if:
1-23 (1) the commissioners court by order authorizes the
1-24 county to self-insure against losses that would have been covered
1-25 by the bond; and
1-26 (2) the county judge approves the order adopted under
1-27 Subdivision (1), if the county judge was required to approve the
1-28 bond under the other law.
1-29 (b) An order adopted by the commissioners court under
1-30 Subsection (a) shall be kept and recorded by the county clerk.
1-31 SECTION 2. The heading to Chapter 88, Local Government
1-32 Code, is amended to read as follows:
1-33 CHAPTER 88. OFFICIAL BONDS OF [~~CERTAIN~~] COUNTY OFFICERS AND
1-34 EMPLOYEES
1-35 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-36 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-37 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-38 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-39 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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