1-1 S.B. No. 336 By: Rodriguez (In the Senate - Filed February 1, 2013; February 5, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice; April 8, 2013, reported adversely, with favorable Committee 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; April 8, 2013, 1-6 sent to printer.) COMMITTEE VOTE 1-7 1-8 Absent PNV Yea Nay 1-9 Whitmire Χ 1-10 1-11 Huffman Χ Carona 1-12 Χ Hinojosa 1-13 Patrick Χ 1-14 Χ Rodriguez 1-15 Schwertner 1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 336 By: Whitmire 1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-18 AN ACT 1-19 relating to the qualifications for appointment as a medical 1-20 examiner. 1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Section 2, Article 49.25, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows: 1-23 1-24 Sec. 2. APPOINTMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS. commissioners court shall appoint the medical examiner, who $\overline{\text{serves}}$ 1-25 1-26 1-27 [shall serve] at the pleasure of the commissioners court. person [shall be] appointed as the medical examiner must be: 1-28 (1)[unless he is] a physician licensed by the Texas Med<u>ical</u> [State] Board<u>; or</u> 1-29 1-30 a person who: (2) $\overline{ ext{($ ilde{A}$)}}$ is licensed and in good standing as a 1-31 1-32 physician in another state; 1-33 (B) has applied to the Texas Medical Board for a license to practice medicine in this state; and 1-34 1-35 (C) has been granted a provisional license under Section 155.101, Occupations Code [of Medical Examiners].

(b) To the greatest extent possible, the medical examiner 1-36 1-37 shall be appointed from persons having training and experience in 1-38 pathology, toxicology, histology and other medico-legal sciences. 1-39

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1-40 1-41 1-42 1-43 (c) The medical examiner shall devote the [so much of his] time and energy [as is] necessary to perform [in the performance of] the duties conferred by this Article.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.