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H.B. No. 480

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to retaining a reserve investigator by a prosecuting
- 3 attorney.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 41.102(a), Government Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (a) A prosecuting attorney may employ the assistant
- 8 prosecuting attorneys, investigators, secretaries, and other
- 9 office personnel that in the prosecuting attorney's [his] judgment
- 10 are required for the proper and efficient operation and
- 11 administration of the office. The commissioners court may
- 12 <u>authorize a prosecuting attorney to appoint reserve investigators.</u>
- 13 The commissioners court may limit the number of reserve
- 14 investigators that a prosecuting attorney may appoint. A reserve
- 15 investigator may accept other employment or compensation that does
- 16 not impair the reserve investigator's independence in the
- 17 performance of the reserve investigator's duties for the
- 18 prosecuting attorney.
- 19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.