

1-1 By: Bonnen of Brazoria (Senate Sponsor - Huffman) H.B. No. 1666  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 11, 2015;  
 1-3 May 20, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on State  
 1-4 Affairs; May 22, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote:  
 1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 22, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

|      | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
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| 1-8  | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-9  | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-10 | X   |     |        |     |
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| 1-12 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-13 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-14 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-15 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-16 | X   |     |        |     |

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the liability of certain persons for damages arising  
 1-20 from training exercises to prepare the persons to respond to  
 1-21 certain emergencies.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Chapter 78, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is  
 1-24 amended by adding Subchapter D to read as follows:

1-25 SUBCHAPTER D. LIABILITY FOR TRAINING EXERCISES

1-26 Sec. 78.151. LIABILITY FOR TRAINING EXERCISES. A person is  
 1-27 not liable for damages resulting from the person's execution of a  
 1-28 training exercise intended to prepare the person to respond to a  
 1-29 fire or emergency to which this chapter applies to the same extent  
 1-30 that the person would not be liable under this chapter for damages  
 1-31 resulting from the person's actions in responding to a fire or  
 1-32 emergency.

1-33 SECTION 2. Chapter 79, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is  
 1-34 amended by adding Section 79.004 to read as follows:

1-35 Sec. 79.004. LIABILITY FOR TRAINING EXERCISES. Except in a  
 1-36 case of reckless conduct or intentional, wilful, or wanton  
 1-37 misconduct, a person who is immune from civil liability for an act  
 1-38 or omission that occurs in giving care, assistance, or advice with  
 1-39 respect to the management of an incident to which this chapter  
 1-40 applies is immune from civil liability for an act or omission that  
 1-41 occurs during the execution of a training exercise intended to  
 1-42 prepare the person to give that care, assistance, or advice.

1-43 SECTION 3. This Act applies to an act or omission in  
 1-44 relation to a training exercise the execution of which begins on or  
 1-45 after the effective date of this Act, without regard to whether the  
 1-46 planning or scheduling of the exercise took place before, on, or  
 1-47 after that date.

1-48 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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