Smith (Senate Sponsor - Bettencourt) 1-1 H.B. No. 1879 1**-**2 1**-**3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 4, 2015; May 5, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; May 22, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 22, 2015, sent to printer.) 1-4 1-5

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Lucio	Х	_		
1-9	Bettencourt	Χ			
1-10	Campbell	Х			
1-11	Garcia	Х			
1-12	Menéndez	Χ			
1-13	Nichols	Χ			
1-14	Taylor of Galveston	Χ			

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-15 1-16 AN ACT

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

SECTION 1. Section 81.0025(e), Local Government Code, amended to read as follows:

- (e) This section does not apply to a county commissioner who:
- serves in a county with a population of 1.3 million (1)or more;
  - (2) meets at least one of the following requirements: has served continuously for 12 years or more;

or is an attorney licensed to practice law in this state for 12 years or more and has completed at least 64 hours of continuing education approved by the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas; and

(3) attends at least 15 hours of staff briefing on

continuing education subjects in each 12-month period as approved by the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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