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H.B. No. 421

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 421:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to an exemption from application of the Private Security  
3 Act for volunteer security services provided at a place of  
4 religious worship.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter N, Chapter 1702, Occupations Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 1702.333 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 1702.333. PLACE OF RELIGIOUS WORSHIP; CERTAIN  
9 VOLUNTEERS. (a) In this section, "volunteer security services"  
10 means services or activities that are:

11 (1) regulated under this chapter; and

12 (2) provided without compensation or remuneration.

13 (b) This chapter does not apply to a person who is providing  
14 volunteer security services on the premises of a church, synagogue,  
15 or other established place of religious worship.

16 (c) While providing volunteer security services under  
17 Subsection (b), a person may not wear a uniform or badge that:

18 (1) contains the word "security"; or

19 (2) gives the person the appearance of being a peace  
20 officer, personal protection officer, or security officer.

21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.