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H.B. No. 3193

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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2 relating to the relationship between public employers and fire and 3 police employees.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 174.002(a), Local Government Code, is 6 amended to read as follows:

7 (a) The policy of this state is that a political subdivision 8 shall provide its fire fighters and police officers with 9 compensation and other conditions of employment that are 10 substantially <u>equal to</u> [the same as] compensation and <u>other</u> 11 conditions of employment <u>that prevail</u> [prevailing] in comparable 12 <u>fire and police departments</u> [private sector employment].

13 SECTION 2. Section 174.021, Local Government Code, is 14 amended to read as follows:

15 Sec. 174.021. <u>COMPENSATION</u> [PREVAILING WAGE] AND WORKING 16 CONDITIONS REQUIRED. A political subdivision that employs fire 17 fighters, police officers, or both, shall provide those employees 18 with compensation and other conditions of employment that are[+

19 [(1)] substantially equal to compensation and other 20 conditions of employment that prevail in comparable <u>fire or police</u>

21 <u>departments, as applicable</u> [employment in the private sector; and

22 [(2) based on prevailing private sector compensation 23 and conditions of employment in the labor market area in other jobs 24 that require the same or similar skills, ability, and training and

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1 may be performed under the same or similar conditions].

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.