

1-1 By: Hughes S.B. No. 2174  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 10, 2017; April 6, 2017, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;  
 1-4 April 25, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,  
 1-5 Nays 0; April 25, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

|      | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
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| 1-8  | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-9  | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-10 | X   |     |        |     |
| 1-11 | X   |     |        |     |
| 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 appointment of a bailiff by district courts and  
 1-20 county courts at law in Bowie County.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 53.001, Government Code, is amended by  
 1-23 adding Subsection (k) to read as follows:

1-24 (k) The judges of the 5th, 102nd, and 202nd district courts  
 1-25 and the judges of the county courts at law of Bowie County shall  
 1-26 appoint one or more bailiffs to serve the courts in Bowie County.

1-27 SECTION 2. Section 53.007(a), Government Code, is amended  
 1-28 to read as follows:

1-29 (a) This section applies to:

1-30 (1) the 34th, 70th, 71st, 86th, 97th, 130th, 142nd,  
 1-31 161st, 238th, 318th, 341st, 355th, and 385th district courts;

1-32 (2) the County Court of Harrison County;

1-33 (3) the criminal district courts of Tarrant County;

1-34 (4) the district courts in Taylor County;

1-35 (5) the courts described in Section 53.002(c), (d),  
 1-36 (e), or (f);

1-37 (6) the county courts at law of Taylor County;

1-38 (7) the district courts in Tarrant County that give  
 1-39 preference to criminal cases; ~~and~~

1-40 (8) the 115th District Court in Upshur County; and

1-41 (9) the 5th, 102nd, and 202nd district courts and the  
 1-42 county courts at law of Bowie County.

1-43 SECTION 3. Section 53.0071, Government Code, is amended to  
 1-44 read as follows:

1-45 Sec. 53.0071. BAILIFF AS PEACE OFFICER. Unless the  
 1-46 appointing judge provides otherwise in the order of appointment, a  
 1-47 bailiff appointed under Section 53.001(b), ~~(g)~~ (g), or (k) or  
 1-48 53.002(c), (e), or (f) is a "peace officer" for purposes of Article  
 1-49 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure.

1-50 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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