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By:  Parker, Stucky, Patterson H.B. No. 3716

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the establishment of the office of medical examiner in certain counties.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 1, Article 49.25, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1.  OFFICE AUTHORIZED. Subject to the provisions of this article [~~Act~~], the commissioners court [~~Commissioners Court~~] of any county having a population of more than two [~~one~~] million [~~and not having a reputable medical school as defined in Articles 4501 and 4503, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas,~~] shall establish and maintain the office of medical examiner, and the commissioners court [~~Commissioners Court~~] of any county may establish and provide for the maintenance of the office of medical examiner. Population shall be according to the last preceding federal census.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.