By: Noble H.B. No. 3081

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3081:

By: Krause C.S.H.B. No. 3081

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to a person qualified to serve as a special or temporary
- 3 justice of the peace.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 27.055(c), Government Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (c) In Subsections (b) and (f), "qualified person" means:
- 8 <u>(1)</u> a person who has served as a justice of the peace,
- 9 <u>county judge</u>, or the judge of a county court at law for not less than
- 10 four  $[4 \ 1/2]$  years and who has not been convicted of a criminal
- 11 offense that involves moral turpitude; or
- 12 (2) a person who has experience and knowledge relevant
- 13 to judicial or justice court processes and procedures and is
- 14 approved by the county judge and a justice of the peace in the
- 15 county.
- SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 17 to a temporary or special justice of the peace appointed on or after
- 18 the effective date of this Act.
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.