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H.B. No. 3716

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the establishment of the office of medical examiner in
- 3 certain counties.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 1, Article 49.25, Code of Criminal
- 6 Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 1. OFFICE AUTHORIZED. Subject to the provisions of
- 8 this <u>article</u> [Act], the <u>commissioners court</u> [Commissioners Court]
- 9 of any county having a population of more than  $\underline{\mathsf{two}}$  [one] million
- 10 [and not having a reputable medical school as defined in Articles
- 11 4501 and 4503, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, shall establish
- 12 and maintain the office of medical examiner, and the <u>commissioners</u>
- 13 <u>court</u> [Commissioners Court] of any county may establish and provide
- 14 for the maintenance of the office of medical examiner. Population
- 15 shall be according to the last preceding federal census.
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.