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H.B. No. 3753

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the authority of a county fire marshal to provide
- 3 fire-related training programs for first responders.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 352.019, Local Government
- 6 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 352.019. COOPERATION WITH OTHER FIRE PROTECTION
- 8 AGENCIES; TRAINING FOR FIRST RESPONDERS.
- 9 SECTION 2. Section 352.019(e), Local Government Code, is
- 10 amended to read as follows:
- 11 (e) A county commissioners court may authorize the fire
- 12 marshal to provide training programs relating to fire-fighting and
- 13 <u>fire prevention</u> and operate a training facility for <u>first</u>
- 14 responders [the various fire-fighting and fire prevention units] in
- 15 the county. The county may establish and collect a reasonable fee
- 16 for the training programs, use of the facility, and services
- 17 provided by the facility. <u>In this subsection</u>, "first responder" has
- 18 the meaning assigned by Section 421.095, Government Code.
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 23 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.