

AN ACT

relating to hazardous duty pay for security officers employed by the Texas Military Department.

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

SECTION 1. Section 659.301(5), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(5) "State employee" means an individual who:

(A) is a commissioned law enforcement officer of the Department of Public Safety, the Texas Facilities Commission, the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, or the attorney general;

(B) is a commissioned security officer of the comptroller;

(C) is a law enforcement officer commissioned by the Parks and Wildlife Commission;

(D) is a commissioned peace officer of an institution of higher education;

(E) is an employee or official of the Board of Pardons and Paroles or the parole division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice if the employee or official has routine direct contact with inmates of any penal or correctional institution or with administratively released prisoners subject to the board's jurisdiction;

(F) has been certified to the Employees

1 Retirement System of Texas under Section 815.505 as having begun  
2 employment as a law enforcement officer or custodial officer,  
3 unless the individual has been certified to the system as having  
4 ceased employment as a law enforcement officer or custodial  
5 officer; [~~or~~]

6 (G) before May 29, 1987, received hazardous duty  
7 pay based on the terms of any state law if the individual holds a  
8 position designated under that law as eligible for the pay; or

9 (H) is a security officer employed by the Texas  
10 Military Department.

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

S.B. No. 1598

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1598 passed the Senate on April 17, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1598 passed the House on May 3, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, two present not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor