

BILL ANALYSIS

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S.B. 901
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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Concerns have been raised regarding the enforcement of commercial motor vehicle safety standards in certain areas of the Permian Basin region heavily impacted by the energy industry. It has been suggested that the number of peace officers eligible to enforce these standards in the region is insufficient to maximize the safety of motorists and truck drivers alike.

The proposed legislation extends eligibility to apply for certification to enforce commercial motor vehicle safety standards to sheriffs and deputy sheriffs in counties located within 30 miles of New Mexico and adjacent to two or more counties that generated \$100 million or more in oil and gas production tax revenue during the preceding state fiscal year.

(Original Author's / Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

S.B. 901 amends current law relating to the enforcement of commercial motor vehicle safety standards in certain counties.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Reenacts Section 644.101(c), Transportation Code, as amended by Chapters 169 (H.B. 917) and 478 (H.B. 511), Acts of the 86th Legislature, Regular Session, 2019, and amends it, as follows:

(c) Provides that a sheriff or a deputy sheriff of any of the following counties is eligible to apply for certification under Section 644.101 (Certification of Certain Peace Officers):

(1) makes no changes to this subdivision;

(2) and (3) makes nonsubstantive changes to these subdivisions;

(4) creates this subdivision from existing text and makes no further changes;

(5) a county any part of which is within 30 miles of New Mexico, and that is adjacent to two or more counties that generated \$100 million or more in tax revenue collected under Chapters 201 (Gas Production Tax) and 202 (Oil Production Tax), Tax Code, from oil and gas production during the preceding state fiscal year; or

(6) a county with a population of more than 40,000 and less than 300,000 that is adjacent to a county described by Subdivision (4) (relating to a county with a population of 400,000 or more that borders the county in which the State Capitol is located).

SECTION 2. Provides that, to the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails over another Act of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021, relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted codes.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2021.