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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to Burnet County criminal magistrates.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 54.1501(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  The commissioners court shall establish the minimum qualifications, salary, benefits, and other compensation of each magistrate position and shall determine whether the position is full-time or part-time. [~~The qualifications must require the magistrate to:~~

[~~(1)  have served as a justice of the peace or municipal court judge; or~~

[~~(2)  be an attorney licensed in this state.~~]

SECTION 2.  Section 54.1502, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 54.1502.  JURISDICTION. A magistrate has concurrent criminal jurisdiction with:

(1)  the judges of the justice of the peace courts of Burnet County; and

(2)  a municipal court in Burnet County, if approved by a memorandum of understanding between the municipality and Burnet County.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2021.