

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 2901
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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Resolutions of support have been passed by three cities in Orange County seeking legislation to authorize their municipal police departments to participate in Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas training for local enforcement on commercial motor vehicle safety laws. H.B. 2901 seeks to address this issue by making police officers in the appropriate cities in Orange County eligible to participate in the training.

H.B. 2901 amends the Transportation Code to make a police officer of a municipality with a population of more than 2,000 that is located in a county with a population of less than 200,000 and that borders another state and the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway eligible to apply for certification to enforce commercial motor vehicle safety standards.

H.B. 2901 amends current law relating to the enforcement of commercial motor vehicle safety standards in certain municipalities.

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. Amends Section 644.101(b), Transportation Code, to provide that a police officer of certain municipalities is eligible to apply for certification under Section 644.101 (Certification of Certain Peace Officers), including a municipality with a population of more than 2,000 that is located in a county with a population of less than 200,000 and that borders another state and the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2023.