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By:  Jones of Harris H.B. No. 3678

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the record of an investigation of a complaint of misconduct by certain peace officers.

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

SECTION 1.  Chapter 614, Government Code, is amended by adding Subchapter B-1 to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER B-1. INVESTIGATION OF PEACE OFFICER

Sec. 614.031.  INVESTIGATION OF MISCONDUCT. (a) In this section, "law enforcement agency" means the Department of Public Safety or an agency of a political subdivision authorized by law to employ peace officers under Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure.

(b)  A law enforcement agency must permanently maintain in a peace officer's personnel file the complete record of an internal investigation of the officer conducted by the agency in response to a complaint of misconduct.

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies only to an investigation of a peace officer that is initiated or pending on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.