

1-1 By: King, Eckhardt S.B. No. 1124
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 22, 2023; March 9, 2023,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government;
 1-4 April 17, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 2; April 17, 2023,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8 Bettencourt	X			
1-9 Springer	X			
1-10 Eckhardt	X			
1-11 Gutierrez	X			
1-12 Hall		X		
1-13 Nichols	X			
1-14 Parker			X	
1-15 Paxton	X			
1-16 West		X		

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1124 By: Springer

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to qualifications of a sheriff or a candidate for sheriff.
 1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-23 SECTION 1. Section [85.0011](#), Local Government Code, is
 1-24 amended to read as follows:
 1-25 Sec. 85.0011. QUALIFICATIONS FOR SHERIFF OR CANDIDATE FOR
 1-26 SHERIFF. (a) A person is not eligible to serve as sheriff unless
 1-27 the person:
 1-28 (1) has a high school diploma or a high school
 1-29 equivalency certificate; and
 1-30 (2) holds an active permanent peace officer
 1-31 license [~~is eligible to be licensed~~] under Chapter 1701 [~~Sections~~
 1-32 ~~1701.309 and 1701.312~~], Occupations Code.
 1-33 (b) A person is not eligible to be a candidate for the office
 1-34 of sheriff unless the person holds an active permanent peace
 1-35 officer license under Chapter 1701, Occupations Code.
 1-36 SECTION 2. Section [1701.302\(a\)](#), Occupations Code, is
 1-37 amended to read as follows:
 1-38 (a) Except as provided by Section [85.0011](#), Local Government
 1-39 Code, an [~~An~~] officer [~~, including a sheriff,~~] elected under the
 1-40 Texas Constitution or a statute or appointed to fill a vacancy in an
 1-41 elective office must obtain a license from the commission not later
 1-42 than the second anniversary of the date the officer takes office.
 1-43 SECTION 3. Section [85.0025](#), Local Government Code, is
 1-44 repealed.
 1-45 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act to Sections
 1-46 [85.0011](#) and [85.0025](#), Local Government Code, do not apply to a
 1-47 sheriff serving a term that began before the effective date of this
 1-48 Act. A sheriff serving a term that began before the effective date
 1-49 of this Act is governed for the remainder of that term by Sections
 1-50 [85.0011](#) and [85.0025](#), Local Government Code, as those laws existed
 1-51 immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the prior law
 1-52 is continued in effect for that purpose.
 1-53 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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