

1-1 By: Wharton, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Hagenbuch) H.B. No. 2217
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 29, 2025;
1-3 April 30, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Criminal Justice; May 27, 2025, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 27, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Flores	X		
1-9	Parker	X		
1-10	Hagenbuch	X		
1-11	Hinojosa of Hidalgo	X		
1-12	Huffman	X		
1-13	King		X	
1-14	Miles	X		

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to establishing a grant program to equip motor vehicles
1-18 used by peace officers with certain bullet-resistant components.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 772, Government Code, is
1-21 amended by adding Section 772.013 to read as follows:

1-22 Sec. 772.013. GRANT PROGRAM TO EQUIP VEHICLES USED BY PEACE
1-23 OFFICERS WITH BULLET-RESISTANT COMPONENTS. (a) In this section:

1-24 (1) "Criminal justice division" means the criminal
1-25 justice division established under Section 772.006.

1-26 (2) "Law enforcement agency" means an agency of the
1-27 state or an agency of a political subdivision of the state that is
1-28 authorized by law to employ peace officers.

1-29 (3) "Peace officer" means an individual elected,
1-30 appointed, or employed to serve as a peace officer for a
1-31 governmental entity under Article 2A.001, Code of Criminal
1-32 Procedure, or other law.

1-33 (b) The criminal justice division shall establish and
1-34 administer a grant program to provide financial assistance to a law
1-35 enforcement agency to purchase and install motor vehicles used by
1-36 peace officers of the law enforcement agency in discharging the
1-37 officers' official duties with bullet-resistant windshields, side
1-38 windows, rear windows, and door panels.

1-39 (c) The criminal justice division shall establish:

1-40 (1) eligibility criteria for grant applicants;

1-41 (2) grant application procedures;

1-42 (3) guidelines relating to grant amounts;

1-43 (4) procedures for evaluating grant applications; and

1-44 (5) procedures for monitoring the use of a grant
1-45 awarded under the program and ensuring compliance with any
1-46 conditions of a grant.

1-47 (d) A law enforcement agency receiving a grant under this
1-48 section must, as soon as practicable after spending the grant
1-49 money, provide to the criminal justice division proof of purchase
1-50 and installation, as applicable, of bullet-resistant windshields,
1-51 side windows, rear windows, or door panels.

1-52 (e) The criminal justice division may use any available
1-53 money to implement this section.

1-54 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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