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S.B. No. 1957

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility of a person to serve on a civilian oversight board.

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

SECTION 1. Section 143.003, Local Government Code, is amended by amending Subdivision (1) and adding Subdivision (1-a) to read as follows:

(1) "Civilian oversight board" means a board or office established by a municipality to practice oversight, monitoring, or investigations of fire fighters or police officers, or departments, by members of the public who are not fire fighters or police officers.

(1-a) "Commission" means the Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission.

SECTION 2. Subchapter F, Chapter 143, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 143.091 to read as follows:

Sec. 143.091. ELIGIBILITY FOR CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT BOARD. A person is not eligible to serve on a civilian oversight board if the person has been:

(1) convicted of or placed on deferred adjudication community supervision for a felony offense; or

(2) convicted of a crime of moral turpitude.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.