

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

The county court at law of Randall County is the only court in operation every working day at the Randall County Courthouse, and the court has determined that a need exists for greater security. H.B. 3803 amends Chapter 53, Government Code (Bailiffs), to authorize the Randall County court at law to appoint a bailiff, and to require the commissioners court to establish a salary for the appointed bailiff.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 3803 authorizes the Randall County court at law to appoint a bailiff, and requires the commissioners court of Randall County to establish a salary for the appointed bailiff.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 53.001(g), Government Code, to require the judge of the county court at law in Randall County to appoint a bailiff. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 53.009(a), Government Code, to entitle a bailiff appointed by a judge of a county court at law in Randall County to a salary set by the judge and approved by the commissioners court. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 4. Emergency clause.