

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 1570
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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Interested parties contend that some smaller cities in Texas face a constant threat of danger and disruption posed by commercial motor vehicles that exceed vehicle weight and size restrictions. H.B. 1570 addresses this issue by including police officers from these cities among the police officers eligible to apply for certification to enforce commercial motor vehicle safety standards.

H.B. 1570 amends the Transportation Code to include among the peace officers eligible to apply for certification to enforce commercial motor vehicle safety standards a police officer of a municipality with a population of more than 3,000 and less than 10,000 that contains a highway that is part of the national system of interstate and defense highways and is located in a county with a population between 150,000 and 155,000.

H.B. 1570 amends current law relating to the enforcement of commercial motor vehicle safety standards in certain municipalities.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Reenacts Section 644.101(b), Transportation Code, as amended by Chapters 278 (H.B. 716) and 1130 (S.B. 58), Acts of the 84th Legislature, Regular Session, 2015, and amends it as follows:

(b) Provides that a police officer of certain municipalities, including a municipality with a population of more than 3,000 and less than 10,000 that contains a highway that is part of the national system of interstate and defense highways and is located in a county with a population between 150,000 and 155,000, is eligible to apply for certification under this section (Certification of Certain Peace Officers). Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Provides that, to the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails over another Act of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted codes.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2017.