

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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S.B. 636  
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Enrolled

### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

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, especially a city like Katy (pop. 18,000) that is located along I-10. Heavy trucks often leave the interstate to cut through the town in order to avoid delays.

S.B. 636 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. S.B. 636 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 less than 75,000 that is located in three counties, at least one of which has a population greater than 3.3 million. (Original Author's/Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

S.B. 636 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 138 (H.B. 1355), 142 (H.B. 1570), and 324 (S.B. 1488), Acts of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, and amends it, as follows:

(b) Provides that a police officer of any of certain municipalities is eligible to apply for certification under this section (Certification of Certain Peace Officers), including a municipality with a population of less than 75,000 that is located in three counties, at least one of which has a population greater than 3.3 million. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Provides that, to the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails over another Act of the 86th Legislature, Regular Session, 2019, relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted codes.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2019.