

1-1 By: Raney (Senate Sponsor - Schwertner) H.B. No. 2272
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 20, 2015;
1-3 April 30, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Criminal Justice; May 6, 2015, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 6, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7				
1-8	Whitmire	X		
1-9	Huffman	X		
1-10	Burton	X		
1-11	Creighton	X		
1-12	Hinojosa	X		
1-13	Menéndez	X		
1-14	Perry	X		

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

1-17 relating to surety bond requirements for reserve deputy sheriffs.
1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-19 SECTION 1. Section [85.004](#), Local Government Code, is
1-20 amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (c-1) to
1-21 read as follows:
1-22 (c) Except as provided by Subsection (c-1), a [A] reserve
1-23 deputy, before beginning to perform the duties of office and at the
1-24 time of appointment, must file an oath and execute and file a bond
1-25 in the amount of \$2,000 payable to the sheriff. The oath and bond
1-26 shall be filed with the county clerk.
1-27 (c-1) If a sheriff appoints more than one reserve deputy
1-28 sheriff, the sheriff may execute a blanket surety bond to cover the
1-29 reserve deputy sheriffs. Instead of a reserve deputy sheriff
1-30 executing an individual bond under Subsection (c) or the sheriff
1-31 executing a blanket surety bond, the county may self-insure against
1-32 losses that would have been covered by the bond.
1-33 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-34 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-35 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-36 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-37 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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