

1-1 By: Menéndez S.B. No. 1838
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 13, 2015; March 25, 2015, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;
 1-4 April 20, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 20, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	X			
1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11	X			
1-12	X			
1-13	X			
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the definition of peace officer for purposes of
 1-18 intercepting or collecting information in relation to certain
 1-19 communications in an investigation conducted by an arson
 1-20 investigating unit.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 1(2), Article 18.21, Code of Criminal
 1-23 Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

1-24 (2) "Authorized peace officer" means:

1-25 (A) a sheriff or a sheriff's deputy;

1-26 (B) a constable or deputy constable;

1-27 (C) a marshal or police officer of an
 1-28 incorporated city;

1-29 (D) a ranger or officer commissioned by the
 1-30 Public Safety Commission or the director of the Department of
 1-31 Public Safety;

1-32 (E) an investigator of a prosecutor's office;

1-33 (F) a law enforcement agent of the Alcoholic
 1-34 Beverage Commission;

1-35 (G) a law enforcement officer commissioned by the
 1-36 Parks and Wildlife Commission;

1-37 (H) an enforcement officer appointed by the
 1-38 inspector general of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice under
 1-39 Section 493.019, Government Code; ~~or~~

1-40 (I) an investigator commissioned by the attorney
 1-41 general under Section 402.009, Government Code; or

1-42 (J) a member of an arson investigating unit
 1-43 commissioned by a municipality, a county, or the state.

1-44 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-45 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-46 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-47 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-48 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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