

1-1 By: Clardy (Senate Sponsor - Nichols) H.B. No. 1545  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 18, 2017;  
 1-3 April 24, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on  
 1-4 Criminal Justice; May 19, 2017, reported favorably by the  
 1-5 following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 1; May 19, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7	X			
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the acceptance of certain high school courses to  
 1-20 satisfy part of the training required to obtain a peace officer  
 1-21 license.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 1701, Occupations Code, is  
 1-24 amended by adding Section 1701.1525 to read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 1701.1525. RULES RELATED TO ACCEPTANCE OF CREDIT HOURS  
 1-26 FOR COMPLETION OF CERTAIN HIGH SCHOOL COURSES. (a) The commission  
 1-27 shall adopt rules that establish a procedure under which credit  
 1-28 hours earned for the successful completion of high school courses  
 1-29 that directly relate to law enforcement can be counted toward the  
 1-30 hours of training required of an applicant for a peace officer  
 1-31 license issued under Section 1701.307.

1-32 (b) The rules adopted under this section must require that  
 1-33 an applicant submit to the commission a high school transcript that  
 1-34 indicates the applicant earned an endorsement in the public  
 1-35 services category, as described by Section 28.025(c-1), Education  
 1-36 Code.

1-37 SECTION 2. (a) Not later than December 1, 2017, the Texas  
 1-38 Commission on Law Enforcement shall adopt rules as necessary to  
 1-39 comply with Section 1701.1525, Occupations Code, as added by this  
 1-40 Act.

1-41 (b) Section 1701.1525, Occupations Code, as added by this  
 1-42 Act, applies only to an application for a license submitted to the  
 1-43 Texas Commission on Law Enforcement on or after the effective date  
 1-44 of this Act. An application submitted before the effective date of  
 1-45 this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the  
 1-46 application was submitted, and the former law is continued in  
 1-47 effect for that purpose.

1-48 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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