

1-1 By: Lucio S.B. No. 354
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 15, 2019; February 7, 2019,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental
1-4 Relations; March 6, 2019, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0;
1-6 March 6, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	Lucio	X		
1-10	Schwertner	X		
1-11	Alvarado	X		
1-12	Campbell	X		
1-13	Fallon	X		
1-14	Menéndez		X	
1-15	Nichols	X		

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 354 By: Lucio

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to authority of certain officers of certain counties to
1-20 disburse or direct payment of county funds for salaries or
1-21 expenses.

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

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 113.047, Local Government Code, is
1-24 amended to read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 113.047. DISBURSEMENTS FOR SALARIES OR EXPENSES [~~IN~~
1-26 ~~COUNTY WITH POPULATION OF 190,000 OR MORE~~]. After the deposit of
1-27 funds in a county depository, an officer [~~in a county with a~~
1-28 ~~population of 190,000 or more~~] may draw checks on the county
1-29 treasurer to disburse the funds as payment for a salary or expenses
1-30 authorized by law or in payment to the county or to the person to
1-31 whom the funds belong.

1-32 SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 154, Local Government
1-33 Code, is amended by adding Section 154.0235 to read as follows:

1-34 Sec. 154.0235. PROCEDURES REGARDING PAYMENT OF OFFICE
1-35 EXPENSES AND EMPLOYEE SALARIES. (a) A district, county, or
1-36 precinct officer may issue a warrant against the salary fund to pay
1-37 authorized expenses of the office or the salary of an employee whose
1-38 salary may be paid from the fund.

1-39 (b) A payment may not be made from the salary fund to an
1-40 employee for a service performed before the person has taken the
1-41 constitutional oath of office, if applicable, and the person's
1-42 authorized appointment and oath, if any, have been filed for record
1-43 with the county clerk and the county auditor, if the county has a
1-44 county auditor.

1-45 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-46 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-47 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-48 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-49 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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