

1-1 By: Sherman, Sr., et al. (Senate Sponsor - West) H.B. No. 368
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2021;
 1-3 May 10, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on State
 1-4 Affairs; May 21, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 21, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

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

1-19 relating to the issuance of a driver's license to certain persons
 1-20 that includes an alternative to the license holder's residence
 1-21 address.

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

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 521.1211, Transportation Code, is
 1-24 amended to read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 521.1211. DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR PEACE OFFICERS AND
 1-26 PROSECUTORS [OFFICER]. (a) In this section:

1-27 (1) "Peace [~~peace~~] officer" has the meaning
 1-28 assigned by Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, except that
 1-29 the term includes a special investigator as defined by Article
 1-30 2.122, Code of Criminal Procedure.

1-31 (2) "Prosecutor" means a county attorney, district
 1-32 attorney, criminal district attorney, assistant county attorney,
 1-33 assistant district attorney, or assistant criminal district
 1-34 attorney.

1-35 (a-1) This section applies only to a peace officer and a
 1-36 prosecutor.

1-37 (b) Notwithstanding Section 521.121(a), the department by
 1-38 rule shall adopt procedures for the issuance of a driver's license
 1-39 to an applicant [~~a peace officer~~] that omits the license holder's
 1-40 actual residence address and includes, as an alternative, an
 1-41 address described under Subsection (f) [~~that is acceptable to the~~
 1-42 ~~department and is in the:~~

1-43 [~~(1) municipality or county of the peace officer's~~
 1-44 ~~residence, or~~

1-45 [~~(2) county of the peace officer's place of~~
 1-46 ~~employment]~~.

1-47 (c) To be issued a driver's license under this section, an
 1-48 applicant [~~a peace officer~~] must apply to the department and
 1-49 provide sufficient evidence acceptable to the department to
 1-50 establish the applicant's status as a person described under
 1-51 Subsection (a-1) [~~peace officer~~]. On issuance of the license, the
 1-52 license holder shall surrender any other driver's license issued to
 1-53 the holder by the department.

1-54 (d) If the holder of a driver's license that includes an
 1-55 alternative address moves to a new residence, or, for a prosecutor,
 1-56 to a new office address, or if the name of the person is changed by
 1-57 marriage or otherwise, the license holder shall, not later than the
 1-58 30th day after the date of the address or name change, notify the
 1-59 department and provide the department with the number of the
 1-60 person's driver's license and, as applicable, the person's:

1-61 (1) former and new addresses; or

2-1 (2) former and new names.

2-2 (e) If the holder of a driver's license that includes an
2-3 alternative address ceases to be a person described by Subsection
2-4 (a-1) [~~peace officer~~], the license holder shall, not later than the
2-5 30th day after the date of the status change, apply to the
2-6 department for issuance of a duplicate license. The duplicate
2-7 license must include the person's actual current residence address.

2-8 (f) The department shall accept as an alternative address:

2-9 (1) for a peace officer, an address that is in the:

2-10 (A) municipality or county of the peace officer's
2-11 residence; or

2-12 (B) county of the peace officer's place of
2-13 employment; and

2-14 (2) for a prosecutor, the address of an office of the
2-15 prosecutor.

2-16 SECTION 2. Section 63.0101, Election Code, is amended by
2-17 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

2-18 (d) Pursuant to Section 63.001(c), proof of identification
2-19 is presented only for the purpose of identifying a voter and not for
2-20 verification of residence.

2-21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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