

1-1 By: Kolkhorst S.B. No. 739
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 8, 2025; February 7, 2025,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice;
 1-4 April 23, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 23, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Flores	X			
1-8 Parker	X			
1-9 Hagenbuch	X			
1-10 Hinojosa of Hidalgo	X			
1-11 Huffman	X			
1-12 King	X			
1-13 Miles			X	

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

1-17 relating to the definition of authorized peace officer for purposes
 1-18 of certain laws governing the installation and use of tracking
 1-19 equipment and access to certain communications.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Article 18B.001(1), Code of Criminal Procedure,
 1-22 as amended by Chapters 901 (H.B. 4906) and 950 (S.B. 1727), Acts of
 1-23 the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, is reenacted and
 1-24 amended to read as follows:

- 1-25 (1) "Authorized peace officer" means:
 1-26 (A) a sheriff or deputy sheriff;
 1-27 (B) a constable or deputy constable;
 1-28 (C) a marshal or police officer of a
 1-29 municipality;
 1-30 (D) a ranger or officer commissioned by the
 1-31 Public Safety Commission or the director of the department;
 1-32 (E) an investigator of a prosecutor's office;
 1-33 (F) a law enforcement agent of the Texas
 1-34 Alcoholic 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;
 1-40 (I) a law enforcement officer appointed by the
 1-41 inspector general of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department under
 1-42 Section 242.102, Human Resources Code;
 1-43 (J) an investigator commissioned by the attorney
 1-44 general under Section 402.009, Government Code;
 1-45 (K) a member of an arson investigating unit
 1-46 commissioned by a municipality, a county, or the state;
 1-47 (L) ~~[or (K)]~~ a peace officer commissioned under
 1-48 Section 37.081 or 51.203, Education Code; or
 1-49 (M) an investigator commissioned by the
 1-50 commissioner of insurance under Section 701.104, Insurance Code.

1-51 SECTION 2. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
 1-52 over another Act of the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025,
 1-53 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
 1-54 codes.

1-55 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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