

## CHAPTER 543

H.B. No. 1351

An Act relating to the arrest, search, and seizure powers of postal inspectors.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

**SECTION 1.** Section 2, Chapter 396, Acts of the 65th Legislature, Regular Session, 1977, is codified as Article 2.121, Code of Criminal Procedure, 1965, and amended to read as follows:

*Art. 2.121. SPECIAL INVESTIGATORS.* [See: ~~2~~] The following named criminal investigators of the United States shall not be deemed peace officers, but shall have the powers of arrest, search and seizure as to felony offenses only under the laws of the State of Texas:

- (1) Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; [;]
- (2) Special Agents of the Secret Service; [;]
- (3) Special Agents of United States Customs, excluding border patrolmen and custom inspectors; [;]
- (4) Special Agents of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms; [; and]
- (5) Special Agents of Federal Drug Enforcement Agency; and
- (6) *Inspectors of the United States Postal Service.*

**SECTION 2.** This Act takes effect September 1, 1985.

**SECTION 3.** The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 2, 1985, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 26, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved: June 12, 1985

Effective: September 1, 1985