CHAPTER 721

H.B. No. 1425

An Act relating to the participation of the judges in County Courts at Law Nos. 1 and 2 in Galveston County in the management of that county's probation department.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 269, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965 (Article 1970-342a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by adding Section 15 to read as follows: Sec. 15. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 10, Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, 1965, restricting authority over probation departments to district judges, the Judge of County Court at Law No. 1 of Galveston County shall participate in the management of the probation department serving the county, and for that purpose has the same duties and powers imposed by that section as do the district judges trying criminal cases in the county.

SECTION 2. Chapter 133, Acts of the 65th Legislature, Regular Session, 1977 (Article 1970-342b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by adding Section 15A to read as follows: Sec. 15A. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 10, Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, 1965, restricting authority over probation departments to district judges, the judge of County Court at Law No. 2 of Galveston County shall participate in the management of the probation department serving the county, and for that purpose has the same duties and powers imposed by that section as do the district judges trying criminal cases in the county.

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, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on May 9, 1985, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 26, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved: June 14, 1985 Effective: August 26, 1985