## CHAPTER 501

## H.B. No. 610

## AN ACT

relating to registration and continuing education requirements for tax assessor-collectors.

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

SECTION 1. Article 8885, Revised Statutes, is amended by adding Section 11A to read as follows:

Sec. 11A. EXCEPTION FOR OFFICER OF POPULOUS COUNTY. A tax assessor-collector of a county with a population of 1,000,000 or more, according to the most recent federal census, is exempt from Section 11 of this Act.

SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 6, Tax Code, is amended by adding Section 6.235 to read as follows:

Sec. 6.235. CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS. (a) During each full term of office, a county assessor-collector of a county with a population of 1,000,000 or more shall complete 64 or more classroom hours of instruction that relate to the duties of the office and that are accredited by the Board of Tax Professional Examiners, the division of the office of comptroller with responsibility for property taxes, the division of the Texas Department of Transportation with responsibility for motor vehicles, or the secretary of state as continuing education credits for the office of county assessor-collector.

(b) A county assessor-collector of a county with a population of 1,000,000 or more shall certify completion of the requirements of Subsection (a) to the executive director of the Board of Tax Professional Examiners.

- (c) For the purposes of removal under Subchapter B, Chapter 87, Local Government Code, "incompetency" in the case of a county assessor-collector includes the failure to comply with the requirements of this section.
- 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 7, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 22, 1993: Yeas 29, Nays 1.

Approved June 3, 1993.

Effective Aug. 30, 1993, 90 days after date of adjournment.