SECTION 11. Section 1701.551(a), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A person commits an offense if the person appoints or retains another person as an officer, [a] county jailer, or telecommunicator in violation of Section 1701.301, 1701.303, [or] 1701.305, or 1701.405.

SECTION 12. (a) Not later than December 31, 2013, the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education shall adopt rules, standards, and procedures necessary to implement Chapter 1701, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act, and Subsection (b) of this section.

(b) Notwithstanding Chapter 1701, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act, a person employed as a certified telecommunicator on January 1, 2014, is exempt from the requirements for an initial telecommunicator license under that chapter, and the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education shall issue a telecommunicator license to the person on receipt of an application showing that the person was employed as a certified telecommunicator on that date.

SECTION 13. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of this section, this Act takes effect January 1, 2014.

(b) Section 12 of this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on May 8, 2013: Yeas 140, Nays 7, 2 present, not voting; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1951 on May 23, 2013, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 1951 on May 26, 2013: Yeas 109, Nays 34, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2013: Yeas 21, Nays 10; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 1951 on May 26, 2013: Yeas 20, Nays 11.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective January 1, 2014, except as provided in § 13(b).

CHAPTER 969

H.B. No. 1953

AN ACT

relating to the payment for liquor by a retailer.

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

SECTION 1. Section 102.32, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b-1) A wholesale dealer who accepts a check or draft as payment from a retailer for the purchase of liquor must deposit the check or draft in the bank for payment or present the check or draft for payment within five business days after it is received.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on April 25, 2013: Yeas 134, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 20, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013.