Act is governed by the law in effect when the statement was made, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on May 9, 2013: Yeas 139, Nays 4, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 22, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 680

H.B. No. 2100

AN ACT relating to the salary for certain employees of the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas:

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 411, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 411.0162 to read as follows:

Sec. 411.0162. SALARIES FOR CERTAIN TROOPERS. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and subject to the availability of money appropriated for that purpose, the department may pay its employees classified as Trooper Trainee, Probationary Trooper, and Trooper I at rates that exceed the maximum rates designated in Salary Schedule C of the position classification schedule prescribed by the General Appropriations Act for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2013, for that position by up to 10 percent.

(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a) or any other provision of law and subject to the availability of money appropriated for that purpose, in the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2013, the department may pay its employees classified as Trooper Trainee, Probationary Trooper, and Trooper I at rates that exceed the maximum rates designated in Salary Schedule C of the position classification schedule prescribed by the General Appropriations Act for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2013, for that position by up to five percent. This subsection expires September 1, 2014.

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

Passed by the House on May 9, 2013: Yeas 136, Nays 6, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 2100 on May 23, 2013: Yeas 144, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 21, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 681

H.B. No. 2233

AN ACT relating to signature verification on an early voting ballot voted by mail:

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

SECTION 1. Section 87.041(e), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(e) In making the determination under Subsection (b)(2), the board may also compare the signatures with any two or more signatures of the voter made within the preceding six years and on file with the voter registrar to