SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on May 7, 2013: Yeas 145, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3370 on May 23, 2013: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 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 1081

H.B. No. 3378
AN ACT
relating to an annual term for the 47th District Court.

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

SECTION 1. Section 24.012, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-i) to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (a-1), notwithstanding any other law, each district court holds in each county in the judicial district terms that commence on the first Mondays in January and July of each year. To the extent of a conflict between this subsection and a specific provision relating to a particular judicial district, this section controls.

(a-1) The term of the 47th District Court in Armstrong County begins on the first Monday in January.

SECTION 2. Section 24.149(c), Government Code, is repealed.

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

Passed by the House on April 25, 2013: Yeas 136, Nays 0, 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 1082

H.B. No. 3412
AN ACT
relating to the qualifications for certain positions with the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas.

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

SECTION 1. Section 411.0223, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 411.0223. APPOINTMENT OF HIGHEST-RANKING OFFICERS. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (c), an officer is eligible for appointment by the director to chief of the Texas Rangers only if the officer has at least five years of supervisory experience as a commissioned member of the Texas Rangers.

(b) Except as provided by Subsection (c), an officer is eligible for appointment by the director to assistant chief of the Texas Rangers only if the officer has at least four years of supervisory experience as a commissioned member of the Texas Rangers.
(c) If there are fewer than two qualified officers for appointment to chief or assistant chief of the Texas Rangers, the director may appoint an officer to the position of chief or assistant chief of the Texas Rangers only if the officer has at least two years of supervisory experience as a commissioned member of the Texas Rangers.

(d) Except as provided by Subsection (e), an officer is eligible for appointment by the director to the rank of major of the Texas Rangers only if the officer has at least one year of supervisory experience as a captain of the Texas Rangers.

(e) If there are fewer than two qualified captains for appointment to the rank of major of the Texas Rangers only if the lieutenant has at least two years of supervisory experience as a commissioned member of the Texas Rangers.

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

Passed by the House on May 2, 2013: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 20, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 1083

H.B. No. 3422

AN ACT

relating to donations of landscape materials and services to the Texas Department of Transportation.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 392, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 392.003 to read as follows:

Sec. 392.003. DONATIONS FOR LANDSCAPE INSTALLATION OR MAINTENANCE. The commission by rule shall establish a program under which the department may accept from any source, including an individual or a private business or organization, donations of landscape materials for state highways, as authorized by Section 201.206. The program may provide for the department to enter into an agreement with an individual or private business or organization for the individual or entity to provide, at no cost to the department, services for the installation or maintenance of landscaping on state highways.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on May 2, 2013: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3422 on May 24, 2013: Yeas 143, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective June 14, 2013.

CHAPTER 1084

H.B. No. 3433

AN ACT

relating to the regulation of certain private security companies and occupations; creating an offense.