



**OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF POLICE
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM
POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL**



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I. PURPOSE

Define the jurisdiction of a University of Texas System Police Officer.

II. POLICY

The primary jurisdiction of peace officers commissioned by the University of Texas System Police includes all counties in which property is owned, leased, rented, or otherwise under the control of the University of Texas System. **2.1.2**

III. DEFINITIONS

Texas Education Code Section 51.203 Campus Peace Officers - (a) The governing boards of each state institution of higher education and public technical institute may employ and commission peace officers for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this subchapter. The primary jurisdiction of a peace officer commissioned under this section includes all counties in which property is owned, leased, rented, or otherwise under the control of the institution of higher education or public technical institute that employs the peace officer.

(b) Within a peace officer's primary jurisdiction, a peace officer commissioned under this section:


- (1) is vested with all the powers, privileges, and immunities of peace officers;
- (2) may, in accordance with Chapter 14, Code of Criminal Procedure, arrest without a warrant any person who violates a law of the state; and
- (3) may enforce all traffic laws on streets and highways.

(c) Outside a peace officer's primary jurisdiction a peace officer commissioned under this section is vested with all the powers, privileges, and immunities of peace officers and may arrest any person who violates any law of the state if the peace officer:

- (1) is summoned by another law enforcement agency to provide assistance;
- (2) is assisting another law enforcement agency; or
- (3) is otherwise performing his duties as a peace officer for the institution of higher education or public technical institute that employs the peace officer.

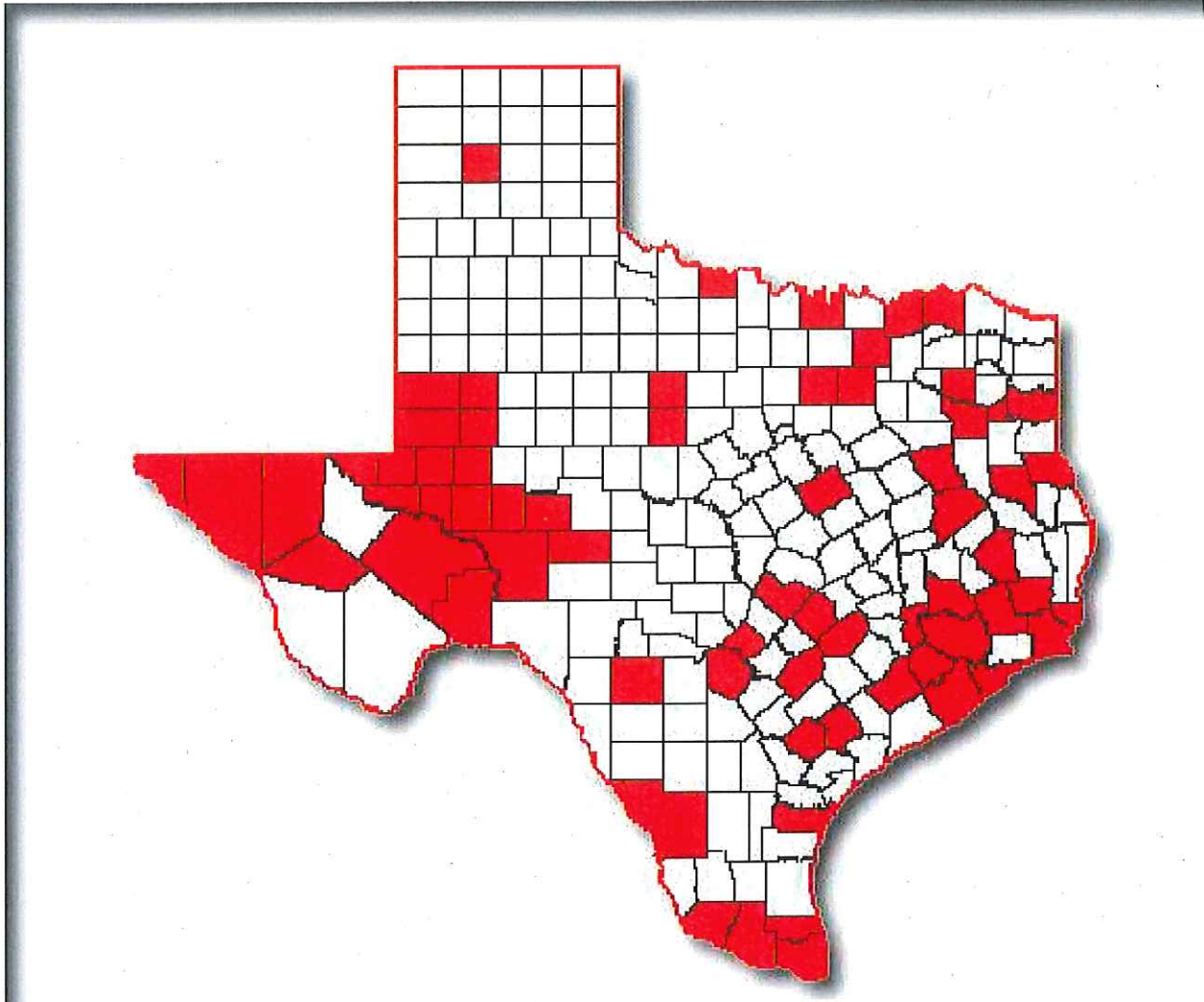
IV. PROCEDURES

- A. The University of Texas System Police is charged with the responsibility of protecting the life and property of individuals who comprise the student body, faculty, and staff of the University of Texas System community.
- B. Each institution chief of police shall be responsible for identifying the principal law enforcement focus, within the department's primary jurisdiction, of the agency's law enforcement efforts given the primary mission of the University of Texas System Police. 2.1.1
- C. Each institution chief of police shall be responsible for coordination and management of the department's law enforcement efforts with other local law enforcement agencies sharing mutual, concurrent or secondary jurisdiction. 2.1.2
- D. In addition to the provisions of Texas Education Code Section 51.203 (b) University of Texas System commissioned peace officers are authorized by Texas Education Code Section 51.203 (c) to function as peace officers outside their primary jurisdiction to assist another law enforcement agency in Texas, or to otherwise perform duties as a peace officer on official university business. 2.1.2



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University of Texas System Police Jurisdiction



Red – Primary Jurisdiction

Counties in which property is owned, leased, rented, or otherwise under the control of the University of Texas System

White – Secondary Jurisdiction

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Primary Jurisdiction Counties

Anderson	Gonzales	Potter
Andrews	Gregg	Reagan
Bastrop	Hardin	Schleicher
Bexar	Harris	Shackelford
Brazoria	Harrison	Shelby
Callahan	Hidalgo	Smith
Cameron	Houston	Starr
Collin	Hudspeth	Tarrant
Comal	Irion	Terrell
Cooke	Jeff Davis	Travis
Crane	Jefferson	Upton
Crockett	Lamar	Uvalde
Culberson	Liberty	Victoria
Dallas	Loving	Waller
Dawson	Martin	Ward
Ector	McLennan	Webb
El Paso	Midland	Wharton
Fannin	Montgomery	Wichita
Fayette	Nacogdoches	Willacy
Fort Bend	Nueces	Winkler
Gaines	Orange	Wood
Galveston	Pecos	
Goliad	Polk	

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