

§ 157.008. INSURANCE POOL OR INSURANCE COMPANY NOT CREATED. If a county provides for medical care and hospitalization or provides for compensation, accident, hospital, and disability insurance to persons listed under Section 157.002(a)(1), the county:

(1) has not created an insurance pool with a flood control district, hospital district, or other governmental entity, unless the county enters into a contract under Chapter 172; and

(2) is not an insurance company subject to the Insurance Code or to regulation by the Texas Department of Insurance as an insurance company.

Added by Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 1094, § 24, eff. September 1, 2005.

SUBCHAPTER B. HOURS OF WORK

§ 157.021. HOURS OF WORK OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES. (a) In a county with a population of 355,000 or more, the commissioners court may adopt and enforce uniform rules on the hours of work of department heads, assistants, deputies, and other employees whose compensation is set or approved by the court.

(b) The commissioners court of any county may adopt and enforce uniform rules on overtime and compensatory time for department heads, assistants, deputies, and other employees whose compensation is set or approved by the commissioners court. The rules may:

(1) prohibit unbudgeted overtime, except when the commissioners court or an elected county or district officer declares an emergency; and

(2) require that emergency overtime be reported to the county auditor and the commissioners court.

Acts 1987, 70th Leg., ch. 149, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1987. Amended by Acts 1995, 74th Leg., ch. 713, § 2, eff. Sept. 1, 1995.

§ 157.022. HOURS OF WORK OF PEACE OFFICERS IN COUNTIES OF MORE THAN ONE MILLION. (a) A peace officer employed by a county with a population of more than one million may not be required to work more hours during a calendar week than the number of hours in the normal work week of the majority of other county employees.

(b) A sheriff or constable may require a peace officer to work more hours than allowed by Subsection (a) if the sheriff or constable determines an emergency exists that requires the officer to work extra hours.

(c) A peace officer who elects to work extra hours during a calendar week shall be compensated on a basis consistent with overtime provisions of the county personnel policy.

Acts 1987, 70th Leg., ch. 149, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1987. Amended by Acts 1991, 72nd Leg., ch. 597, § 91, eff. Sept. 1, 1991.

SUBCHAPTER C. LIABILITY INSURANCE

§ 157.041. GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE. (a) The commissioners court of a county may obtain insurance or similar coverage from a governmental pool operating under Chapter 119 or a self-insurance fund or risk retention group operating under Chapter 2259, Government Code, for an official or employee of the county