

AN ACT

relating to qualifications to serve as a petit juror.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 62.102, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 62.102. GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR JURY SERVICE. A person is disqualified to serve as a petit juror unless the person:

(1) is at least 18 years of age;

(2) is a citizen of the United States;

(3) is a resident [~~citizen~~] of this state and of the county in which the person is to serve as a juror;

(4) [~~(3)~~] is qualified under the constitution and laws to vote in the county in which the person is to serve as a juror;

(5) [~~(4)~~] is of sound mind and good moral character;

(6) [~~(5)~~] is able to read and write;

(7) [~~(6)~~] has not served as a petit juror for six days during the preceding three months in the county court or during the preceding six months in the district court;

(8) [~~(7)~~] has not been convicted of misdemeanor theft or a felony; and

(9) [~~(8)~~] is not under indictment or other legal accusation for misdemeanor theft or a felony.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2747 was passed by the House on May 5, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2747 was passed by the Senate on May 23, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor