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H.B. No. 3575

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to the hearings officer of the Texas Department of 3 Banking.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 11.202(b), Finance Code, is amended to 6 read as follows:

7 (b) The Texas Department of Banking may employ a hearings officer to serve the finance agencies as determined by interagency 8 agreement. For the purposes of Section 2003.021, Government Code, 9 a hearings officer employed under this section may be retained 10 11 under contract to provide services on a part-time basis and is 12 considered to be an employee of each agency for which hearing services are provided. The hearings officer's only duty under the 13 14 hearings officer's contract is to preside over matters related to contested cases before a finance agency. 15

16 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 20 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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