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H.B. No. 1930

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1930:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the qualifications for serving as a member of the board of directors of certain municipal utility districts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 54.102, Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 54.102. QUALIFICATIONS FOR DIRECTORS. To be qualified to serve as a director, a person shall:

(1) be at least 18 years old;

(2) be a resident citizen of the State of Texas;

and

(3) either own land subject to taxation in the district or be a qualified voter within the district.

SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 54, Water Code, is amended by adding Section 54.103 to read as follows:

Sec. 54.103. QUALIFICATIONS FOR DIRECTORS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES. (a) This section applies only to a district wholly or partly located in a county that:

(1) borders the United Mexican States; and

(2) contains a municipality with a population of more than 500,000.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 54.102, to be qualified to serve as a director of a district to which this section applies, a person shall:

1 (1) meet the requirements of Sections 54.102(1) and
2 (2); and

3 (2) be a qualified voter within the district.

4 (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (b)(2), a person who is not a
5 qualified voter within a district may serve as a director of the
6 district if:

7 (1) less than 50 percent of the retail water or sewer
8 connections in the district are for residential users; and

9 (2) the district did not receive an application for a
10 place on the ballot for each position on the board from a candidate
11 who is a qualified voter within the district on or before the 15th
12 day before the deadline for filing an application for a place on the
13 ballot as prescribed by Section 144.005, Election Code.

14 SECTION 3. Section 54.103, Water Code, as added by this Act,
15 does not affect the entitlement of a member serving immediately
16 before the effective date of this Act on the board of directors of a
17 municipal utility district described by that section to continue to
18 carry out the board's functions for the remainder of the member's
19 term. That section applies only to a member of the board of
20 directors of such a district elected or appointed on or after the
21 effective date of this Act. That section does not prohibit a person
22 who is a member of the board of directors of such a district on the
23 effective date of this Act from being reelected or reappointed to
24 the board if the person has the qualifications required for a member
25 under that section.

26 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.